

2011-2012 DRUG-FREE Schools AND WORKPLACE

Please take time to read this very important material. NNU is required by law to create policies for the establishment and preservation of a drug-free campus. Further, we are responsible for notifying all students, faculty, and staff of such regulations, and implementation of monitoring and employing sanctions for violations.

Pursuant to Public Law No. 101-206, known as the ***Drug-Free Schools and Communities Acts Amendments of 1989***, Northwest Nazarene University is disseminating the following information to all members of the campus community:

The use, possession, distribution, or manufacturing of alcoholic beverages and illicit drugs on or off campus is prohibited. Violations will result in disciplinary action by the appropriate agent(s). See the Student Handbook, located on the web @

www.nnu.edu/campus-life/student-handbook.

◆◆NOTE: Please direct all questions to the Office of Student Development @ 467-8643 or the Wellness Center @ 467-8466.

STATE AND FEDERAL POTENTIAL LEGAL SANCTIONS AND NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Violations of these prohibitions will result in serious disciplinary action, (*i.e., probation/suspension*). A repeated violation may result in dismissal. In addition to the institutional sanctions that may be imposed, those in violation may also expect to incur legal sanctions consistent with local, state, and federal laws, as follows:

◆◆Most violations involving alcohol are misdemeanors.

- Minors (*under 21*) in possession, consumption or both. (*If a car is in any way involved in the possession, concealment or consumption, those involved may lose their driving license for one year.*)
- Drunk driving (*18-21 year olds are considered adults*).
- Public intoxication.
- Procuring alcohol for minors.

◆◆With illicit drugs, the seriousness of the crime, (*i.e., misdemeanor or felony*) is dependent on the circumstances; some of these follow:

- Possession of a controlled substance may be a misdemeanor or felony, dependent on the amount.
- Distribution of a controlled substance is a felony.
- Manufacturing of a controlled substance is a felony.

◆◆Penalties are as follows:

- A misdemeanor can result in as much as a sixty day sentence, a fine of \$1,000-\$3,000, and suspension of driving privileges for up to 1 year.
- A felony can result in one year to life in the State Penitentiary and a fine of \$1,000 and up to no limit. (*Payment of restitution for the investigation is also possible.*)

Please note: As set out more fully in section 5301 of the ***Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988***, if you are convicted of drug distribution or possession, the court may suspend your eligibility for Title IV financial aid. If you are convicted three or more times for drug distribution, you may become permanently ineligible to receive Title IV financial aid.

Under federal law, distribution of drugs to persons under age 21 is punishable by twice the normal penalty with a mandatory one year in prison; a third conviction is punishable by mandatory life imprisonment. These penalties apply to distribution of drugs in or within 1,000 feet of a university or school. Federal law sets greatly heightened prison sentences for manufacture and distribution of drugs, if death or serious injury results from use of the substance.

The university is required by the Anti-Drug Abuse Act to report to the government-contracting agency within 10 days of learning of any conviction.

INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT

An employee/student who voluntarily acknowledges and reports to his/her supervisor/counselor a controlled substance problem will be given an opportunity to undergo drug counseling and/or a rehabilitation program. (*There are no penalties resulting for a student seeking help.*)

REHABILITATION RESOURCES

A number of resources exist for persons needing help with addictions or problems related to alcohol and other drug-related problems, which include:

- *NNU Wellness Center
- *Port of Hope Center
- *Intermountain Hospital
- *St. Al's Addiction Recovery Center
- *Alcoholics Anonymous/Narcotics Anonymous
- *Others available upon request.