



De Anza Associated Student Body Senate

### **Resolution for the Removal of Smoking Zones on Campus**

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**WHEREAS**, De Anza is not a smoke-free campus because of dedicated smoking zones which allow the use of tobacco and e-cigarettes. These zones are located by Staff Lot A, Parking Lot B, and Parking Lot E<sup>1</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, 84% of people on the De Anza Campus believe that smoking is harmful and 66% believe that second hand smoke is harmful according to a 2019 survey<sup>2</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, 69% of people on the De Anza Campus claim to have been exposed to secondhand smoke on campus and 70% claim to have been exposed to secondhand vape on campus<sup>2</sup> ;

**WHEREAS**, As per 2016, De Anza College Office of Institutional Research and Planning report 65% of students say they encounter second-hand smoke either in student parking lots or when walking through/near designated smoking areas<sup>3</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, As per 2019 California Youth Advocacy Network, California College and University Smoke/Tobacco-Free-Policy Report Card, De Anza has received a C grade because it still has dedicated smoking zones on campus<sup>4</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, all University of California campuses and all California State University campuses are completely smoke-free. Comparatively, only 52% of California Community College campuses are smoke-free<sup>4</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, in 2018, the Board of Governors for California Community Colleges have a resolution in place to guide all California Community Colleges into becoming 100% smoke and tobacco free. Resources and possible funding are available to help colleges implement the smoke-free model<sup>5</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, E-cigarettes are being marketed as safe and smoke free by companies like Juul who manufacture and supply flavored e-cigarettes. Each JUUL pod has 20 cigarettes worth of nicotine and consumption can lead to heart attacks, respiratory disease, nicotine addiction, and other health risks; and

**WHEREAS**, The De Anza Academic Senate passed a resolution to support the removal of designated smoking areas on campus<sup>6</sup>;

**RESOLVED**, designated smoking areas within De Anza are removed;

**RESOLVED**, students and internal departments are informed about changes to policy and work towards having education- led events to discuss hazards related to smoking;

**RESOLVED**, the De Anza Associated Student Body voices their support to remove the designated smoking areas and require DeAnza to be a 100% smoke-free and vape-free campus.

<sup>1</sup> De Anza College Smoking Policy

<https://www.deanza.edu/policies/smoking.html>

<sup>2</sup> API-CHAT De Anza Campus Tobacco Smoking Survey Report

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1PuegItNCE0PD\\_7Mlm\\_pY6jGB-mB27zTT/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1PuegItNCE0PD_7Mlm_pY6jGB-mB27zTT/view?usp=sharing)

<sup>3</sup> De Anza College Office of Institutional Research and Planning report

[http://deanza.edu/ir/deanza-research-projects/2015-16/smokingsurvey\\_s\\_winter16.pdf](http://deanza.edu/ir/deanza-research-projects/2015-16/smokingsurvey_s_winter16.pdf)

<sup>4</sup> California Youth Advocacy Network Report Card

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/582cd52d2994caad8bdc9000/t/5cfeaf23825fc90001e41050/1560194867397/Report+Card2019+-+Final.pdf>

<sup>5</sup> California Tobacco Free Colleges

<https://catobaccofreecolleges.org/california-community-colleges>

<sup>6</sup> 11/26/18 approved by De Anza Academic Senate

<https://www.deanza.edu/gov/academicssenate/meetings/2018-11-26.html>