ALCOHOL POLICY

Members of Mount Saint Mary’s University are subject to and must comply with local, state and federal laws regarding the possession, consumption and distribution of alcohol. The alcohol policy applies to all students, guests and student groups associated with Mount Saint Mary’s University.

The following is MSMU’s policy regarding alcohol:

In accordance with California Law,
• Only persons 21 years of age or older may consume alcoholic beverages;
• It is a crime to sell, furnish, give, or cause to be sold, furnished, or given away any alcoholic beverage to any person under the age of 21 years old (California Business & Professional Code 25658 & 25602).
• Any person under the age of 21 years who has any alcoholic beverage in her/his possession on any street or highway or in any public place open to the public is guilty of a misdemeanor (Business and Professional Code, Section 25658 & 25662).
• It is a crime to be intoxicated in a public place (California Penal Code 647(f)).

Other University Alcohol Regulations
• Students who are of legal drinking age — 21 years of age or older — are permitted to possess and consume alcohol in designated University housing, select University dining facilities where alcohol is served, or at approved University-sponsored events where alcohol is served. Students who are of legal drinking age may not share with or provide alcohol to any students, employees, or guests who are under 21 years of age.
• Alcohol permits: no alcohol permits will be issued to MSMU students for events that occur on campus.
• Drinking games are not permitted on campus at any time.
• Falsification of age, verbally or otherwise
• The serving of alcohol to an intoxicated person or to the point of intoxication is prohibited.
• University officials have the right to inquire about the age of any student/guest who is transporting, consuming, or possessing alcohol.
• University officials can confiscate alcohol due to (1) underage possession, (2) consumption of alcohol in the presence of an underage person.
• All violation of federal, state, and local laws regarding alcohol usage or consumption will be referred to Campus Security.
• Safety: the inability to exercise care for one’s own safety or the safety of others due in whole or in part to alcohol consumption is also considered a violation of policy.