# **Research Brief**

## Fall 2018 Tobacco-Free Survey Results

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## **Purpose of Brief**

This brief illustrates the results from the Fall 2018 tobacco-free survey completed by 707 respondents.

## **Summary of Findings**

- 87% of respondents were CHC students.
- 56% of respondents were female.
- 35% of respondents were between the ages of 20 to 24.
- Of those indicating that they had used tobacco/nicotine products in the past 30 days to taking the survey, 47% of respondents indicated that they were concerned of the effects of tobacco products on their health.
- 74% of respondents indicated that they were exposed to secondhand smoke on campus.
- 30% of respondents expressed concern over the effect of secondhand smoke on their health.
- 77% of respondents either strongly agreed or agreed with making CHC smoke-free if it was necessary to keep secondhand smoke away from students or staff.

#### **Overview**

The Tobacco-Free Taskforce at Crafton Hills College (CHC) administered an online survey in Fall of 2018 to gauge the interest of students, faculty, staff, and administrators to make the campus smoke-free. This brief illustrates the results from the surveys completed by 707 respondents.

#### **Methodology**

The service evaluation was administered online to respondents through an online link sent to the campus community on October 2, 2018. The evaluation consisted of a multiple-choice question prompting respondents to indicate their demographic information (CHC classification, age and gender), usage of tobacco, secondhand smoke exposure and concern. The evaluation also included Likertscale questions by which respondents were prompted to rate their level of agreement with statements about making CHC tobacco-free. The following 4point rating scale was utilized: Strongly Agree, Agree, Disagree, and Strongly Disagree.

### **Findings**

Table I provides information on the classification of respondents to the survey. Eighty-seven percent of respondents identified as being students while another 7% identified as faculty.

Response Options	#	%
Administrator	9	1.3
Faculty	51	7.2
Staff	33	4.7
Student	611	86.8
Total	704	100.0

Note: missing responses were not included

Table 2 provides more demographic data by examining the gender of the respondents. Females consisted of 56% of the respondents. Males consisted of another 42% of the respondents.

Table 2. Gender of the respondents

Response Options	#	%
Male	297	42.2
Female	392	55.7
Other	2	0.3
Decline to State	13	1.8
Total	704	100.0

Note: missing responses were not included

Table 3 examines the age groups of respondents. Thirty-five percent of respondents were between 20 to 24 years of age. Another 31% were 19 years of age or younger while an additional 12% were between the ages of 25 to 29.

Table 3. Age group of the respondents.

Response Options	#	%
19 or younger	215	30.6
20 to 24	244	34.7
25 to 29	87	12.4
30 to 34	37	5.3
35 to 39	26	3.7
40 to 49	44	6.3
50 or older	50	7. I
Total	703	100.0

Note: missing responses were not included

Respondents were then asked about their tobacco or nicotine usage within the past 30 days. Most respondents indicated that they did not any of the products listed in the survey. Fourteen percent of respondents indicated that they had used vaporized nicotine products either **every day** or **some days** within the past month of taking the survey, while 11% indicated that they had used cigarettes or other smoking products during that same period.

Table 4. Frequency of Tobacco/Nicotine Product Usage in the Past 30 Days

Tobacco/Nicotine Product	Every Day		Some Days		Hardly Ever		Not At All		Tota	l
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Cigarettes	38	5.4	36	5.1	27	3.8	601	85.6	702	100.0
Other Smoking Products (e.g. Hookah, Cigars,	26	3.7	48	6.9	39	5.6	587	83.9	700	100.0
Pipes)										
Smokeless Tobacco (e.g. Chew)	9	1.3	6	0.9	25	3.6	657	94.3	697	100.0
Vaporized Nicotine Products (e.g. E-	56	8.0	42	6.0	36	5. l	566	80.9	700	100.0
Cigarettes)										

Note: missing responses were not included

The items in Table 5 were only asked of those who had indicated that they had used tobacco or nicotine products within the past 30 days of taking the survey. Fifty-five percent of students indicate that they used tobacco on campus. Forty-seven percent of respondents stated that they felt concerned about the effects of tobacco products on their health. When asked about whether they would be interested in quitting tobacco or nicotine products, 63% of respondents stated "No" while the remaining 37% stated "Yes".

Table 5. Questions Asked of Those Indicating Usage of Tobacco in the Past 30 Days

Statement	Yes		No		Not		Tota	ıl
					Applicable			
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Do you use any of these products on campus?	113	55.I	92	44.9	-	-	205	100.0
Are you concerned about the effects of tobacco products on your health?	96	46.8	74	36.1	35	17.1	205	100.0
Would you be interested in quitting tobacco/nicotine products?	74	37.0	126	63.0	-	-	200	100.0

Note: missing responses were not included

Respondents were asked about their exposure to secondhand smoke at CHC. Table 6 contains their responses. Seventy-four percent of respondents reported that they had been exposed to secondhand smoke either **every day**, a **few times a week**, or a **few times a month or less** while on campus.

Table 6. Frequency of Exposure to Secondhand Smoke While on Campus

Response Options	#	%
Every Day	75	10.7
A Few Times a Week	198	28. I
A Few Times a Month or Less	245	34.8
Never	186	26.4
Total	704	100.0

Note: missing responses were not included

Next, for respondents who indicated that they had been exposed to secondhand smoke on campus, they were asked if they had experienced any immediate health effects due to their secondhand exposure. Table 7 shows that 30% of respondents had suffered health effects due to their secondhand exposure while the remaining 70% stated that they did not.

Table 7. Experienced any immediate health effects due to Secondhand Smoke Exposure on Campus?

<b>Response Options</b>	#	%
Yes	155	30.0
No	362	70.0
Total	517	100.0

Note: missing responses were not included

Table 8 indicates respondents' level of agreement with statements regarding making all CHC campus grounds tobacco and smoke-free. Seventy-seven percent of respondents indicated that they strongly agreed or agreed with prohibiting smoking if it was needed to keep smoke away from other students and staff. In a a similar way, 76% of respondents would be in favor of CHC going smoke-free if quit smoking services were promoted. Sixty-nine percent of respondents indicated that they would favor a smoke-free campus over a non-smoke free campus, all other things being equal.

Table 8. Agreement with Various Statements Regarding Support for a Smoke-Free Campus

Tobacco/Nicotine Product	Strongly Agree		Agree		Disagree		Strongly Disagree		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
It is okay for colleges to prohibit smoking on campus if that is necessary to keep secondhand	391	55.8	148	21.1	76	10.8	86	12.3	701	100.0
smoke away from other students and staff										
I support Crafton Hills College becoming tobacco-free if quit smoking services are promoted	411	58.6	120	17.1	66	9.4	104	14.8	701	100.0
Other things being equal, I would choose a "smoke-free" college over a college that allows smoking on campus	357	51.1	124	17.7	96	13.7	122	17.5	699	100.0

Note: missing responses were not included

Respondents were then asked to share any additional comments that they had regarding the possibility of CHC becoming a tobacco-free campus. Table 9 contains the open-ended responses categorized by the position of the respondents. Of the 224 responses provided, 101 (45%) supported CHC going smoke-free campus, 41(18%) expressed neutral or mixed opinions on the issue, and 82 (37%) were opposed to CHC going smoke-free.

### For (n=101)

I feel students who smoke should either be isolated from other students, or if possible given a course to help them quit smoking. Lots of people smoke in the parking lot which means inhaling lots of smoke trying to get up to your class. I understand smoking is very difficult and trying to quit is excruciatingly difficult. That being said, i still feel Crafton should encourage it and try to push their students to a healthier lifestyle. They'll hate it right now, but they'll be thankful in the future.

A lot of people have health concerns that could seriously be affected by second hand smoke. This can impact student performance as well as faculty. Will there be compensation for faculty if they must miss a teaching day due to second hand smoke effects? I teach online and do not have this problem but I absolutely would if I were teaching on campus. Even if there is a designated area to smoke many heavy smokers have a "cloud" of chemicals following them and do affect others breathing. Some "cloud" chemicals can cause severe headaches, nausea, and can even cause someone to be "altered", slightly high. Do we want students effected by this?

A smoke free campus is a healthy campus. CHC should be more progressive and up to date on this issue as well as be prepared to educate -not lecture- our resident smokers. It is also an issue that can affect potential employment for our students. I have smokers outside my office door & outside my classrooms and must walk through them & their smoke to enter & leave my work environment. Then I smell like I smoked a cigarette, very gross. Please consider this as high importance & thank you for asking the CHC community.

A smoke free campus would be amazing as I'm highly allergic and affected by smoke.

A tobacco free campus will reduce the amount of cigarette butts on the ground around the ash trays and smoking areas.

All for it

Allowing the use of tobacco products not only is a health risk for the students and staff but also increases the amount of trash on the campus. Stopping the use of tobacco products will improve the entire campus' environment.

Although CHC has smoking approved sites, it has been seen that people still tend to walk around campus smoking. Because of these individuals that have no regard for others health I believe that it would be better to make CHC smoke free. Although, how will this be enforced and sustained?

As a non-smoker I fully embrace the idea of CHC becoming tobacco free campus. However it would perhaps seem unfair to the smoker. On the other hand, in my opinion, it is simply a bad & filthy habit for those who are smokers, therefore I feel that the rest of us should not be subjected to the consequences of their second hand smoke. It is definitely a health risk to all involved.

As a previous Riverside County Health employee in the Tobacco Prevention Program I strongly advocate for a smoke-free campus. Implementing such a policy not only secures the respiratory health of humans and animals it also signals to the public that the campus as a whole is taking steps, small and great, to ensure the well-being and beauty of the Crafton Hills Community College on the hills of Yucaipa. Crafton Hills takes a literal and proverbial stand to be a "city [college] on a hill", an example to emulate.

Awesome

Becoming a smoke free campus benefits the health of the greater number.

Choosing to be a smoke-free campus reflects the values of healthy living and caring for our Crafton citizens. Providing a smoking cessation program is a great expenditure of student health fees and recognizes the difficulty of battling nicotine addiction. I fully support this initiative.

Cigs are gross and ruin peoples' day

Crafton is located a very dangerous area for smoking to be allowed

Even though there are "smoking areas" I have to pass these areas every day. Though they are designated areas the smoke still carries which affects me and other students who abstain from smoking.

[expletive] smoking tobacco. You want to die and kill others and the world? Then keep doing it. Jk nah get that bad air out of here please and thank you.

Good luck with this great proposal

Great idea. Suffered second hand smoke as a child during the 60's and 70's. It has made me vulnerable to respiratory illness all of my life!

Happy to go smoke free

I agree with this because i don't want to sick from second hand smoking.

I am 100% for a tobacco free campus!

I am all for it and support the cause. I do not see any benefits in allowing students and staff to smoke on campus.

I believe it should be banned of tobacco use on college coming from someone who is highly allergic to secondhand smoking thank you

I can see where people would like a time away from stress to smoke, but there are always healthier alternatives. Smoking overall is so harmful and the harmful effects definitely outweigh the benefits• of itself.

I completely support Crafton Hills College campus becoming a smoke free and tobacco free campus! Let's make it a better environment for all students and staff!

I don't like having to walk to the Crafton center with all the dudes out there smoking

I feel it is the responsibility of CHC to protect the health of ALL students and staff. Students and staff should not have to inhale second hand smoke on their way to class. Not to mention CHC is surrounded by dry brush that would only take a small spark to turn into a roaring fire. Please do your best to protect the health and well-being of everyone on campus.

I feel this is a very important topic to discuss, as I teach in the health care field. I always discuss the hazards and risks of second hand smoke in my class, and I've been surprised by how many students aren't aware of the risk factors, and once aware how they would change their habits, or inform others.

This next step making CHC a tobacco free campus makes sense as a learning institution, and of course, make information and help available for those interested in quitting.

I have asthma. And each time I even walk past someone smoking, I immediately have an asthma attack. It's like I am allergic to the smoke. I usually have to sit down for a bit after being exposed to smoke because I cannot breathe. I believe it should be treated with the same respect that any allergy is. We wouldn't expose everyone to peanuts since people are allergic. So why is it ok to expose asthmatics to smoke? I'm just trying to get an education, not go to the hospital because I cannot breathe.

I have severe asthma, living in southern California with all the smog breathing is already difficult and the smoking being allowed on campus only makes it worse

I live in Beaumont where it's like one big city of a burning cigarette. Its so [expletive] gross and the air is already thin here. I have asthma so please ban the [expletive]

I love the idea of campus being smoke-free. I have other students in classes with me who smoke before entering class and it is distracting because the smell gives me a headache.

I quit smoking 5 days ago! I know how hard it is to quit, but it's harder to live in poor health. If we enforce financial penalties, maybe we could wipe out smoking in campus.

I really hope our campus can encourage many students to become smoke free. It will guide you to a better life and better health!

I see many people smoking outside of designated smoking areas on campus all of the time and I think that making it a smoke free campus will help solve that problem.

I strongly support having a tobacco free campus! Not only do cigarettes smell horrible but second hand smoke is very unhealthy. People may argue that e cigarettes don't have a bad smell, but they are still harmful.

I suffer greatly from second-hand smoke and despite the campus putting up smoking areas, there is no way I can get to class without breathing the smoke because it travels. Smoking should not be a right. I can't believe nothing has been done about it yet. Thank you. I sure hope you can do something about it.

I support a smoke-free tobacco-free campus 100%! Hurray for the effort!

I support Crafton Hills becoming a smoke-free campus for the health of smokers and non-smokers, but I am worried about the extreme pressure that smokers would feel to quit, especially without support.

I support Crafton Hills college to be smoke free because smoking is bad and no one should do it.

I support the proposal that Crafton Hills College is going to be smoke free because it's promoting good health environment.

I support this decision I 10%. Not only is it healthier for just about everyone, I think it could lead to a cleaner and more welcoming campus.

I teach in the Kinesiology department so I support pro-health initiatives like a smoke-free campus.

I think it is important to ban smoking on campus entirely since it smells real bad and a lot of us have to pass by theses designated smoking areas to get to a class, campus office or even our car or bus. I am totally okay with making Crafton smoke free.

I think it would be wonderful. I hate having to expose myself to something I hate just because I'm trying to further my education. It would be so much healthier for everyone if we could eliminate it all together.

I think it's great that Crafton Hills college is going smoke free. I think it will be very beneficial to many people with their health and those around them.

I think it's great to go smoke free!

I think that the campus should be smoke-free in hopes to discourage the young adults from developing the addictive smoking habit, also to prevent exposure on the Crafton Hills College campus for the young kids like the elementary student who visit the campus on their school field trips.

I think this is a wonderful idea. I hate smelling smoke from others, and I would love for others to stop smoking for their own benefit.

I would greatly appreciate for CHC to be an absolutely TOBACCO-FREE campus!!!

I would like to thank [Name] and each person who has brought this initiative forward. It's a big step towards a healthier campus and therefore to a higher quality education.

I would love a smoke free campus due to the matter that I suffer from severe asthma and second hand-smoke causes more health issues. Today 2018/11/01 I experience second hand-smoke from a man standing by the parking pay box smoking a cigar/cigarette but didn't bother to blow the smoke in the opposite direction, instead he blew it in my face. If visitors/staff/students really have the urge to smoke, there should be a designed smoking spot away from visible students/staff/visitors...

(Like they do in the art building)

I would love for Crafton to be Smoke-free. I can't stand it when students are smoking, especially when they are smoking near the entrances to the buildings where my classes are.

I would very much like going to school knowing I won't be smelling smoke when I walk to class.

I'm still young and athletic, but every time I'm around someone on campus smoking I find it difficult to breathe and usually leave the area I'm in.

I've talked to a lot of students about making Crafton a smoke-free college and they agree and want it smoke free. A lot have also expressed that they are shy or embarrassed about taking any actions to do so. Like sign petitions or surveys. Smoke-free is the way to be!

It is a great idea.

It isn't right to subject others to harmful smoke just because the ones who smoke don't mind what happens to their own health.

It just a healthy option

It would be so great to be a tobacco free campus and promote clean, fresh air. Every time I walk past a person smoking I cannot help but to cough. It is proven that second hand smoke causes lung damage so I believe it would benefit us all if we became a smoke free campus.

Keep in mind that you be would not be addressing the negative health effects of second hand smoke alone. I am a recovering nicotine addict. For me and others like me, cigarettes smell good, regardless of the health effects. ! I tell people often, I never met a cigarette I didn't like! I don't need the temptation! You would be assisting former smokers from possibly relapsing as well! Thank you for considering this potential action.

Let go smoke-free!

Let's go Smoke Free!

Many 4yr schools are tobacco free Crafton should be too.

More and more, places are becoming smoke free. I strongly believe that this is a huge step in a positive direction. Smoking kills people, and anything we can do to promote living a smoke free lifestyle would be in our best interest. Exposure to second hand smoke makes me feel dizzy and nauseous almost instantly. It also increases the risk for pollution related to cigarette butts.

Mostly a nuisance for me, but I am concerned about the risk second hand smoke brings to more sensitive people. I am a representative of the Respiratory Care department and we align ourselves with the American Lung Association, support for this cause just comes natural to what we do! 100% of our affiliate hospitals are tobacco free.

No one should have to be exposed to second hand smoke ever. It has been proven to cause cancer.

No smoking on campus is good for health of everyone.

Nothing is worse than practically hiking all across the school campus to get to class only to be met by the suffocating smoke of a cigarette. Now am I not only struggling to catch my breath, but I am also struggling to avoid the smoke as much as possible.

Others should not have to deal with second hand smoke. Smokers do not often stay in designated areas.

People are only here for classes, or should be. Smoke and do whatever other bad habit you have on your own time. This is school time.

People smoking is very bothersome for me. It would be wonderful if that could be eliminated. I hope this is something that does happen quickly.

Please ban all tobacco products on campus. They are a health hazard to everyone who comes in contact with them, either directly or indirectly. I'm highly allergic to cigarette smoke and I would like to see this campus become a smoke free institution. Or at least, designate a distant corner of the campus, at least 100 feet away from any classrooms, as a smoking area. But, I prefer the smoke free campus option.

Please become a tobacco free campus.

Please consider the needs of those of us who are asthmatic. Second hand Smoke is life-threatening for us!

Several campuses in the region have gone smoke-free. It's nice to see that Crafton is entertaining the idea as well.

[expletive] stinks, get rid of it.

Should be smoke free

Smokey the bear would be disappointed in smokers. We should train bears to attack smokers.

Smoking and drugs are simply just bad for the health and image of the individual as well as the well-being of those around him or her. If I don't smoke and with not to breathe in the smoke of cigarette users, then I don't want to go to a college that encourages those harmful habits.

Smoking is harmful whether it is to the individual that is smoking or those exposed to that individual's second-hand smoke! Let's create an environment that is safe for all!

Smoking not only negatively affects the smoker but also others around. As a nonsmoker I do not have a choice if I want to be around a smoker while attending classes so my health is being negatively affected without my consent.

Smoking should be banned at every educational institution

Thank you Crafton for doing this and joining such a great campaign!

Thank you for even considering going tobacco free.

Thank you starting to go smoke/tobacco-free. The second hand smoke has been hard on my breathing whilst I've been on campus.

The reason we have designated smoking areas is to prevent people from having to be around cigarette smoke. If somebody is uncomfortable with smoke, they can easily avoid it. I don't smoke anymore but I still think it would be stupid to make CHC smoke free.

There are already very few smoking sections on campus, and they are secluded from the majority of students and easily avoidable. It is a disservice and borderline isolation of students who do smoke. More information and understanding of the circumstance need to be given to students prior to ruling anything.

There isn't any positive outcome to having tobacco on campus so why do it? Crafton has an "image" of promoting our firefighting program as well as nursing, both pertain to health and also require physical stamina, having a tobacco on campus would conflict with that image.

This campus should also be vape free. I don't think it's very harmful, it's just dumb and annoying.

This is good for the campus

This is a good thing.

This is a great idea.

This is amazing hope it happens

To me there is nothing worse than going from breathing nice, fresh air to walking unsuspectingly into a cloud of horrible smelling, carcinogenic causing, area of acrid air. I'd honestly rather smell a skunk. I have never smoked, well i tried once in high school but it made me so ill I never did it again, and so to have my lungs assaulted by an unwanted smell of death is very offensive. I don't come across many smokers on campus, but when do I'm reminded that people actually still waste money on killing themselves. Fine, but don't drag me into yourself destructive party. I'd rather breathe my last bit of air on this planet without gasping because of their second hand smoke. Sorry to rant but I just can't stand even a whiff of a cigarette.

Tobacco free because nicotine fiends are honestly the worst

Tobacco free isn't just for the non-smokers. It should be and is also for people to become healthier, the effects of tobacco are lifelong and fatal. I want my friends to be healthy and this might give them the reason. I also don't want my other friends to reap the effects of secondhand smoke it is not fair to them since they have chosen not to use products like that. My best friend's aunt was diagnosed with cancer from secondhand smoke and died from it. My friend has to deal with that reminder everyday as she passes by many people breathing that same smoke into the air.

Vaping should be banned as well.

Why should someone's right to smoke supersede my right to clean air?

Yes!

#### Mixed/Unclear (n=41)

I do believe that every student that attends CHC should be able to breathe clean air. However those students who do smoke find comfort in between classes when it comes to relieving tension and stresses. Designated smoking areas are a good thing for people to still smoke but not be so close to the general population.

As long as smoking stays confined to designated areas, I am not opposed to people smoking on campus.

As long as using a vape is still allowed, I'd be absolutely fine with a smoke free campus.

Because there are designated smoking sections my exposure to second hand smoke is minimal.

I believe CHC should be a smoke free campus for tobacco products that only produce smoke. Vaping products generally do not seem harmful as it is water vapor although the fruity scents may bother some. I would like to see tobacco (such as cigarettes) to be dis-allowed first then worry about other smoking devices and products later

I believe that while it's the right if Crafton Hills to ban the use of cigarettes, it shouldn't be a primary focus at the moment. I don't believe this issue affects nearly as many people as some other issues may.

I believe this shouldn't restrict things such as Jules or those things. But with no nicotine.

I completely understand on why making a tobacco free campus. However, it looks like you're making people make a life changing habit by force on their right to smoke.

I don't see this as a major issue on our campus.

I don't smoke however, I know that for some smoking is a way to reduce anxiety and stress. If Crafton were to become smoke free I feel that aid should be offered to those who do smoke in order to help them quit.

I don't think vaping is an issue, but the strong smell of cigarettes is troublesome.

I honestly don't particularly care if people are smoking in areas away from everyone else in designed areas, also to throw away cigarette butts. Of course I would not be opposed to the change to a smoke free campus.

I hope that any policy regarding smoking on campus would also address the issue of "vaping". Even though not all vaping products contain nicotine, there is still an enormous quantity of air being exhaled from the device. This exhaled air is a route of transmission for numerous air-borne diseases and should be considered at least as harmful as nicotine products.

I like that schools such as Crafton hills wants to get rid of smoking on campus but most grown adult students will decide choices for themselves regardless the rules. As adults they should know when and where to smoke and have a mind for others when walking through campus. I actually have no problems with students smoking all around campus and I have not yet seen it either. I do see that whatever may happen may happen and that is how it goes.

I personally believe that people should be able to smoke if they understand the risks associated with it and are willing to prevent risks to other people. I'm not concerned necessarily with smoking that much.

I recently encountered some secondhand smoke and it was gross

I support the idea that anyone should be able to do whatever they want to their body. However, I don't agree with that idea when it could endanger others.

I think it would be a good idea to become a smoke free campus, however, I do understand there is a need for designated smoking areas as there are students/faculty who do smoke and to be as welcoming as possible, I'd like to at least let those students/staff who do smoke the opportunity to do so in a location that is away from other students/staff who do not want to walk through the second hand smoke.

I would say that having designated smoking areas is advisable. If the smoker has to smoke, they really don't care about whether or not a place is smoke free.

I'm proud of my school!

If people want to kill themselves then leave me out of it.

If the campus goes smoke free, will it apply to faculty?

It's outside in designated areas. How much secondhand smoke can be possible well away from all doors and classrooms?

It's a choice for each person. I do smell smoke often on campus when sitting outside to study. I also believe it is unhealthy and can have long term effects on our bodies.

It's difficult for people not in our generation who began smoking in their young age to quit it. We need to consider them as well, and not just the young people. As much of a rebel as I am, we need to provide more help to them, as opposed to people like me, who haven't smoked a day in their life.

It's interesting because I used to smoke for 7 years, and quit 3 years ago. I never wanted to burden somebody else with my habit. We have pregnant moms walking around campus as well as health sensitive people. We should consider that our rights and privileges don't infringe on somebody else's.

Keep up the good work, thanks.

Maybe just limit it to no cigarettes. The vape products nearly have no smell outdoors and those should be left alone.

Maybe you can have smoking sections on campus instead of completely cutting it off. This campus has the most vapers that I have ever seen so it could be hard to inforce this rule.

Leading research on vaping in the UK, as Big Tobacco companies are halting it in the US, have shown again and again the effects of using nicotine based vaporizers has little to no effect on the health of lung cells. Nicotine in itself is 1/100 as damaging as smog pollution.

No studies have shown that you can get secondhand smoke through vaping.

Not applicable it does not matter to me if they go smoke free or not so by all means

People who do smoke on campus usually do it out of the way and it doesn't bother me. I can't speak for the other students, I personally don't have a problem with it

Smoking on this campus is minimal and practically nonexistent. I'm not sure if this would really help people not smoke, either.

Smoking smells bad, like a two month old lunchable you forgot in your satchel. And it makes your lungs black and spooky.

Some students do not respect the smoke only zones. I have seen them smoke all over the campus.

Students and Staff unfortunately do not adhere to the current distance regulations and smoking areas. Since they are not enforced. Either make it completely smoke free or enforce the rules.

This is a difficult situation to be in, at both sides. As a former smoker, you have to be willing wanting to stop smoking, otherwise it just won't work. If a smoker is not ready to stop and uses cigarettes to eliminate anxiety issues, they do have a big struggle. It is a mindset. There has to be lots of psychological support, it is not just the replacement of the nicotine or elimination. This could mean it is a years long struggle for some smokers. I did not need any help, my personal situation has showed me I need to stop, and so I weaned myself off and was tobacco free within three months. Not everyone is like me and so I do have compassion for them, but would like to see them smoke free. There has to be a long term reaching out and support for them. Often an on demand support because of the need to smoke.

This will be difficult to enforce especially with the prevalence of vaping.

This won't stop people from smoking they will do it anyway. Especially people who vape.

You about to piss people off but this is it chief.

#### Against (n=82)

Air pollution in California is worse for the populous than second hand smoke. I don't see the campus trying to ban students from driving cars in the area. Why are you trying to apply a different set of standards to a minority of the student body? I don't appreciate being persecuted by my academic institution.

Being a completely smoke free campus can be damaging to many students. There are a few smoking zones on campus away from normal students, and I know many people who use these zones as needed. Many of which use vaporizers with no nicotine, as they have successfully stopped using cigarettes. The act of inhaling a vapor made of Propylene glycol (the base inside asthmatic inhalers) helps them refuse the urge to pick up a cigarette. I believe keeping a few smoking zones open on campus is the smartest choice of action, unless the college thinks it's worth it to drive students to resort to using cigarettes heavily as soon as they get home because they can't use their vaporizers on campus in designated areas.

Current "smoking areas" are not well thought out, and are poorly labeled. The conflict always arises through ill-mannered people. It is a question of should we ban a "legal" thing. The amount of profit made by sugar sales on this campus is more directly involved in negative health issues in our society at large.

Designated smoking zones are far away from heavily trafficked areas on campus and I've never been exposed to second hand smoke. Smoking zones are necessary

Don't do this

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E-cigarettes are not 'tobacco-products.' They should not be treated equally with cigarettes or other. They should NOT be considered in any rules that affect tobacco products.

Students who attend CHC are by and large adults who are capable of making their own decisions regarding their choice to use tobacco. CHC should not take the role of deciding for them as to whether those products are used. The smoking areas are working just fine. It seems this is an effort to fix something that is not broken.

Second hand smoke has NEVER been conclusively proven to cause any form of health issue, especially outside, in an open space.

Do not make CHC a draconian example of leftist propaganda and over-regulation.

First off, this survey was designed to get the results that you're desiring and not a true survey of opinion, highly subjective. Secondly, this is just a money grab. Stop telling people what to do in order for profit. There are designated smoking areas, I stay away from them and it has never been a problem, I have never even heard of someone having a problem on this campus. It's pretty simple, do not stand next to someone smoking. If you're over the age of 18 and are being affected by secondhand smoke then you're simply an idiot. This state and country look for any place they can to tell you what to do, stop this. I get it, you get a nice grant for the school, money is desirable, but these students pay to go here, they pay to keep this school running, and for all of you to have a job. For some of these students little outlets and stress relief can be crucial and or needed. Just because you do not smoke doesn't mean there are not people who do. This country was built on rebellion of regulation, yet here we are again.

Going completely tobacco free will cause issues for those who already smoke.

Having a smoke free campus is a great thought however it would be a terrible inconvenience to those who are regular smokers. Having to go hours without nicotine could cause health issues and withdrawal symptoms. I'm positive that the designated smoking areas are sufficient if properly promoted and ensured that everyone is informed of where they are. Complete ban of tobacco products is a neglect of others life choices and their well-being. I hardly ever use tobacco products and I chose not to use them on campus. However I strongly believe that banning them completely can interfere with the studies and focus, of those who do use regularly, while at school.

Hello!

I smoke from a vape everyday. When I am at school, I do not smoke near other students and consider the fact that some people do not smoke or want to be near it. However, I am aware of the fact that not all students consider this and are careless. I think students who smoke in non-smoking areas should face consequences because they are not being considerate of others.

Honestly this is unnecessary, I don't smoke but people should have the choice if they please. What's next, a food free campus?

Honestly, let people do what they want as long as it doesn't hurt anyone else. Put smoking sections off the beaten path at Crafton so as to ensure no one else is breathing in smoke besides the person who chooses to. If they want to get cancer that's their choice. We pay enough to attend college and should be able to smoke as we please if we choose to.

http://www.uscannenbergmedia.com/2018/09/25/socal-air-quality-fails-to-meet-standards/

And you are worried about a smoke free campus????

I agree with having designated smoking areas but I cannot support an outright ban and would not even if I quit smoking completely. I'm still trying to understand why so many people think they have a vote over someone else's behavior and choices. Regulation is one thing, control is another.

I believe it's anyone's choice to smoke on campus or not. I always wait until my classes end and on my way home I smoke. For the record, I've never smelled cigarette smoke on campus.

I believe that everyone has the choice to smoke or not to smoke. Just because there are people that smoke doesn't mean that those who do smoke shouldn't be allowed to. This is a college where the majority are adults and as adults we are all allowed to make adult decisions, like smoking. If someone doesn't like smoking, then they have the choice not to smoke. Why is it that the smokers are having to suffer from not being able to smoke because it bothers those who don't? Smokers are already having to isolate themselves to various parts of the campus for the comfort of those who do not smoke. I find it discriminating because just as I've stated before, we are all adults so why is what we decide to do with our own lives being surveyed?

I believe that if the campus goes smoke-free the effects on student population may be detrimental. Some students may suffer with attendance and study-focus because of a smoke-free campus.

I believe that tobacco should not be taken away from the students, smoking areas are secluded already and people will smoke if they want to. People that may be having problems with smokers in smokers' areas would have to go out of their way to be inconvenienced by the smoke.

I believe that we could possibly relocate some of the smoking areas on campus to reduce second hand smoke, but removing them entirely should not occur. There are not many smokers on campus to begin with so those who do smoke do not affect the majority of students.

Also, being a public and inclusive school, it would kind of be discriminatory to force out smoking students.

I believe vaporized products shouldn't be banned because it's less strong than a cigarette and much cleaner because they don't get left on the floor.

I can't stand tobacco, or any smoking product for that matter; but when I first began at Crafton my point of view was different. My nerves were high. I was walking in the uncharted territory of Higher Education, and I shared a cigarette with another student before entering my first day of class. I was a totally different person than I am now, and thankful for the opportunity that Crafton has brought me. I feel that making the campus smoke-free would exclude a population of the potential student body that represent lower income or alternative lifestyle, or simply the crowd who feels they don't exactly belong in college. I would hate to see a tobacco ban hinder a person from choosing Crafton Hills as their choice to pursue a higher education. Thank you for your time!

I don't smoke at all. That being said, I almost never run into someone smoking at school, also there are designated smoking sections. College students are some of the most stressed out humans. I don't think people should smoke, but for some students that's a stress reliever, for at least a few moments, from college. It just seems a little cruel like taking away coffee or energy drinks both of which are harmful to the bodies. Obviously smoking and secondhand smoke is far worse, but still...

I don't smoke but smoke pits for those who smoke should be available.

I don't think we should be smoke free, but I do think there should be a designated smoking area. I would want to just be walking around smoking on my way to class, which would affect other students. I'd rather have a place to go smoke, so no one else is bothered

I don't believe that the use of tobacco should be banned from campus. Designated smoking areas are already in place for smokers. However I do believe that smokers should be courteous and have the respect of others around them. I don't know why you want to ban tobacco from campus I hardly ever see anyone use there. Also banning tobacco from campus won't stop smokers from smoking and dippers from dipping. Thank you

I don't smoke, but I have friends who are students at CHC who do smoke. I know we all have a vice, healthy or unhealthy. Smoking helps them ease anxiety before or after exams or when projects are due. Taking that away causes more stress and more anxiety when school provides enough of that. So maybe keeping the designated areas for smoking in areas that are used less as pathways between classes would be better.

I don't think it needs to become smoke free, but enforce clearly marked smoking areas only. Areas that those who don't want to come into contact with smoke can easily avoid. Some of the ones we have now are hard to find, see or in a path someone cannot avoid.

I don't think it would be fair to take away an adults right to smoke. It would be extremely difficult for heavily addicted smokers who have long days of school.

I feel having smoking areas is a perfect system. The campus is airy and fresh air is not hard to come by. Also promoting programs to stop smoking is great, I just don't feel that banning smoking all together is a great idea. If a person wants to smoke there should be a place where that person is free to do so without offending non-smokers. There are a number of secluded areas on campus where you can have smoking sections. Compromise.

I have never been affected by others smoking in the designated areas. I've smoked a cig 1 or 2 times on campus and feel that other adults should have the right to do so. Lastly I believe Crafton administration should only care about the smoking issue if people are forced to endure second hand smoke but sure there is an area on campus where people could smoke and non-smokers not be affected.

I know CHC has designated smoking areas let's keep these in place as people have the right to smoke if they want to.

I myself do not smoke cigarettes/vape devices. But I believe it is a person's choice to partake as long as it is not affecting other persons. Like designated areas.

I suggest moving some of the smoking zones to more secluded areas. Walking by a smoking cigarette is not going to give you cancer. It is just not that serious. Smokers already deal with so much negativity and hate. Even Disneyland has smoking areas

I think designated areas, with some sort of an obvious smoking zones sign, accompanied with fire safe freestanding ashtrays is fair.

I think the designated smoking areas are appropriate. I do not think it is fair to students, faculty, or staff who smoke. I think reckless driving and parking are more of an issue than rather a non-smoker may come in contact with second hand smoke. They are just as capable to avoid those permitted areas as a smoker is to seek out where they are allowed to smoke and satisfy their addiction. Stay open minded Crafton.

I think there should be better designated areas for people who smoke so students that don't smoke can stay away if they don't want second hand smoke.

I think we should have designated areas for smokers.

I use to smoke and was courteous to other people and smoke away from other people. Never smoked in my house or with my children in my vehicle. I stopped smoking because i did not like something in charge of my life. In the same i do not believe a higher education, a place that is to support strong and independent men and women to succeed to turn around and treat them like children. There are temptations good and bad for people. As a college we are not here to tell students what they can or cannot do, but to help them succeed in the education they came here for.

If people want to smoke then they should. Just provide areas so that it does not disturb others or classes.

If secondhand smoking is such a concern place 3 smoking areas away from population around campus one in west one in east and one in central and advise students that sitting in such areas is poor for their health most of the time that i have seen an issue with someone being in the second hand smoking zone is students sitting within 20 feet of the sign for smoking and now you want to take are zone away the smoking areas on campus or a socializing area its where i met all of my friends on campus and as a new student on campus nervous and lost that's where i felt comfortable and even found back some old friends sitting in smoking zines reduce the numbers if you must but to take it away all together would be unwise of the school if you want to keep attendance number don't limit what students can do on campus just change the locations to be more tolerable for the nonsmoking students

If someone has a nicotine addiction and they are unable to obtain said nicotine it could affect school performance and concentration.

If someone needs to smoke, they need to have a place to go to smoke.

We don't need Big Brother or Big Mother here at CHC.

I'm a fan of letting people do what they want, and I think the confined smoking areas are out-of-the-way enough so that it's not a problem as it is.

I'm not a smoker and never have been. I think it's a disgusting habit and don't understand why people do it. But they are adults and make a choice. When limited to designated areas, they really are not hurting anyone but themselves. Leave them alone. Quit trying to police everybody's habits just because you don't like them.

Is this a real consideration? I feel like it's discrimination against people who smoke (even though I am a non-smoker, and have always been) leave it as is with just designated areas for smoking while on campus.

It should be allowed.

It should be the people's choice you already have designated areas

It's their life and their choice

Leave people alone. Have smoking areas that are designated. School is rough with a job family and school. Sometimes that dip or smoke helps you keep moving. Literally. This comes from a guy that used to dip constantly.

Nicotine's absorption rate into the lungs from e- cigarettes is high leaving very little to no "second hand smoke" for example this study (Czogala, J., Goniewicz, M. L., Fidelus, B., Zielinska-Danch, W., Travers, M. J., & Sobczak, A. (2013). Secondhand Exposure to Vapors From Electronic Cigarettes. Nicotine & Tobacco Research, 16(6), 655662. doi:10.1093/ntr/ntt203) show the amount of nicotine smoke from e-cigs is about 1/10 that cigarettes making the impact in an open environment with any amount of diffusion negligible. Also not all juice even contain nicotine. I don't own a functioning vape but when I do smoke them I prefer the nicotine free. Pushing policy based on bad science eventually creates rebellious effect among young adults in our age group. I for one would not really mind the change but I believe very strongly that the long standing social implications of such a restriction on freedoms will be deep and much outweigh any positive that may come from it. "When rebellion has science on its side, the obedient appear as oppressors, and the insubordinate become the disenfranchised MAJORITY".

No.

People are adults and can make their own decisions. Don't limit it

People are free to inhale, ingest, and do whatever they please as long as they are not inflicting harm on others. There should be designated smoking areas on campus for smokers. Both sides win.

People have the right to do whatever they want. Yes second hand smoke is terrible and I don't smoke, but it is someone else's right to choose.

People should be allowed to smoke if they please. just in secluded areas

Please don't take our RIGHT to be able to smoke as we please in designated areas.

Propaganda from tobacco corporations are what got people smoking in the first place. People who smoke cigarettes are physically addicted to nicotine. The government did not object to this or the tax revenue they received for tobacco sales, disregarding health for money. Now all smokers are being put under attack. Villainizing people for smoking creates a hostile learning environment in the same way as villainizing people for sexual orientation. Humans are not perfect and tolerance of each other's short comings is the only way to ensure a peaceful environment for everyone. A no smoking campus is clear message that if you are a victim of nicotine addiction, you are not welcomed at Crafton hills. Maybe money spent to enforce a finger pointing campaign against smokers would be better spent on smokeless ashtrays. Most smokers, myself included, go out of their way to keep from offending nonsmokers with second hand smoke as opposed to those who advertise their lifestyle choices. Maybe we should have a "cigarette smoker and proud" rally unless that is only reserved for the lifestyle choices approved by a biased Crafton hills college regime.

Rather than making CHC completely smoke free, I think it would be better to ban smoking on most of the campus and add designated smoking areas, at least as an intermediary solution. I think that banning smoking completely will lead smokers to avoid spending time on campus, to ignore the regulations if they are not enforced uniformly or to switch schools entirely.

Most of the second hand smoke I've been exposed to on campus, has been when conversing with a group of acquaintances or classmates, and one person lights a cigarette. Having a designated smoking would greatly reduce exposure to secondhand smoke, because that one person would either have to wait or leave the group. Still, having a designated smoking area, is a familiar policy that seems to have been well accepted by smokers at other venues. In contrast, my experience with another community college that banned smoking on campus outright, is that

many people flagrantly ignored that policy, and instead risked ticketing.

Should not be a tobacco free campus. There's a reason for having certain sections or areas allowed to smoke ...

Smokers are already secluded to small, out of the way smoking area. It would be unfair to make us leave the campus entirely to smoke, especially when some classes go for up to 8 hours.

Smoking areas are already out of the way and do not affect non-smoking students in my opinion.

Smoking is a choice, as long as there are designated smoking areas away from buildings, smokers should have that right to smoke on campus.

Smoking is a great stress reliever. Removing it from campus might have negative effects on students.

Smoking should be permitted in designated areas.

Someone's right to smoke should not be infringed on. Keep the smoking areas available for those who choose to smoke.

Terrible idea. We are trying to be open and inclusive and that includes smokers. The present policy protects smokers and nonsmokers alike.

There are many habits people find annoying in others. The goal of society should be civil and accommodate others. Someone who has the habit of coughing without covering their mouth can potentially do much more harm than someone smoking in an open area. That being said, I do not believe smoking should be tolerated everywhere. I believe smoking should be permitted in open areas not subject to excessive foot traffic. Blanket restrictions should not be an alternative to teaching common decency and codes of behavior.

There's smoking sections for a reason, if a person does not want to get second hand smoke. Simply find an alternative route or wear a face mask. However you guys are not looking at the benefits of people smoking. Now I'm not saying cigs I'm talking about E-pens and vape that harm no one else but the user. People like me that have anxiety find it very beneficial to be able to take a break and smoke then come back with a leveled mind. Before you make this bad decision take time to look at both sides of the coin.

There's nothing wrong with creating a smoke-free campus...as long as there are designated smoking areas available. To rid of designated smoking areas only serves to further stigmatize smokers and does absolutely nothing to help smokers quit. If you get rid of designated smoking areas, students who smoke will simply be more discreet regarding their usage. By keeping designated smoking areas, you're effectively ensuring that second-hand smoke would NOT be an issue. It should not be the fault of smokers if an individual were to expose themselves to second hand smoke if the non-smoker willfully went to an area where it is allowed.

As long as they're well placed, most smokers do not mind going out of their way to get a smoke break. Another thing is that smoking is directly correlated with poverty and mental illness. To ignore the factors that might drive an individual to smoke is only unfair, but does nothing to ensure that they won't seek out alternative means of coping. Lastly, we're all adults here. We all know how dangerous smoking can be. We've been instilled with antitobacco messages for many years now. At this point, it's not out of ignorance that people continue smoking.

They should have areas for smokers. There are a lot of other things on this campus that are much more deadly.

This is nonsense...a waste of time and energy to try to dictate how people behave in an open environment. I thought stop-smoking Nazis disappeared some time ago.

This is ridiculous..... please don't take away our 3 smoking locations.

Until it is illegal, then I think the smoking areas are fair and have been quite effective.

We don't need grumpy nicotine addicts everywhere. Designated areas is a good compromise.

We should enforce the use of the smoking areas only. If someone is seen walking around smoking they should be given a ticket for not utilizing the proper smoking areas. To outright ban smoking will cause people that smoke who are on campus all day either to have to leave campus just to smoke or they will do it in their cars in the parking lot leading to increased risk of fire and smoke inhalation. Being that the smoke will be in more of a condensed environment as you walk past their vehicle right as they open the door.

We tried this before, didn't work. Smokers will still find a place to smoke, it's an addiction!

We work in an environment with adults... adults that are free to make their own choices. If they choose to smoke, I feel that it is their right to do so. I do however feel strongly about enforcing smoking zones, but don't think it is fair to them that we ban it all together. I think we are shaming and taking away their rights.

When I went to the college 10 years ago, smoking was allowed everywhere, now I'm forced to go out of my way downstairs hidden away like I'm doing something shameful. There's never any shade nor is there anywhere to sit there is just a smoking ashtray. Most of the times the ashtrays I see also have alcoholic containers in them, if there's something that needs to be enforced it's alcohol on campus. Smokers are not going to quit smoking because smoking is restricted on campus, they're just going to be more tactful about hiding it, and why should we have to hide it, if a smoker is courteous and refrains from smoking near non-smokers who is it really hurting other than the smoker.

While I do not smoke, and never have, I feel that if CHC at all funded by the government (the people), all people (even smokers) should be allowed to attend (they pay for this service!). Nonsmokers are free to exert peer pressure on their fellow students to discourage smoking, but smoking is a legal activity, and a Community College is a public institution and should be open to all. Think of it this way, should women be banned from Crafton Hills so that male students are able to concentrate on their studies rather than there hormonal urges? Probably not. Male students are expected to act appropriately around women, and so I think non-smoking students should act respectfully to smokers. AGAIN...I do not smoke and never have.

While I do strongly disagree w/ smoking, I believe they have the right to smoke on campus if campus policy deems it so, as is the current standing. The zones for students to smoke in should still stand, as long as it's only cigarettes & not drugs. I do, however, agree w/ a campaign that encourages students not to smoke or do drugs. I hope you all can see both sides of this & see why taking away that privilege might turn some students off. Enjoy & have a great day!

While I have issues regarding difficulty to breathe, that is only if I choose to walk through an area designated as a smoking area. It is not my place to remove those areas, especially when they are far away from the main areas that students walk through.