

IMPORTANT PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE

LOUISIANA ACT 305

 **Effective August 1, 2026**



This law applies to
**STUDENTS, EMPLOYEES
AND VISITORS.**

The Delgado Community College Police Department is committed to keeping our community informed about changes in state law that may directly affect our community.



WHERE DOES THE LAW APPLY?

Campus, school-bus, and 2,000-foot school-zone coverage.



**DELGADO
CAMPUSES
(ALL SITES)**



**SCHOOL BUSES
(ON AND AROUND
CAMPUSES)**



**2,000-FOOT
SCHOOL ZONE
(EXTENDS BEYOND
(CAMPUS BOUNDARIES))**



PRESCRIPTION-RELATED WARNING



The enhanced penalties generally do not apply to individuals who are legally registered in Louisiana's medical marijuana program and are using approved therapeutic cannabis in accordance with state law.



VIOLATIONS MAY LEAD TO:

- Arrest.
- Criminal prosecution through the judicial system.
- Referral to the College's student conduct process for potential disciplinary action.

College disciplinary action may include educational sanctions, probation, suspension, or other measures, depending on the circumstances and conduct history.



WHAT STUDENTS NEED TO KNOW

- ✓ It is a felony to smoke or vape marijuana or other controlled dangerous substances within 2,000 feet of a school, college, university, or school bus.
- ✓ The 2,000-foot radius extends well beyond campus boundaries and includes many nearby residential streets and neighborhoods.
- ✓ This law also applies to THC vape pens.



THIS LAW APPLIES TO EVERYONE

Students, employees, and visitors are all subject to Louisiana Act 305. Community members and businesses within a 2,000-foot radius of any of our five Delgado campuses should also be aware of this act and its impacts.



OUR EXPECTATIONS FOR STUDENTS

Delgado Community College is committed to providing a safe, healthy, and academically focused environment for every member of our community. We encourage you to:

- ✓ Become familiar with Louisiana law.
- ✓ Protect your future. Do not bring, possess, smoke or vape marijuana on campus or within the 2,000 foot zone.
- ✓ Understand that conduct that may be legal or decriminalized in other states may still result in serious criminal consequences in Louisiana.
- ✓ Seek assistance through College resources if you or someone you know is struggling with substance use or has questions about available support services.



WE'RE HERE TO HELP

The Delgado Community College Police Department, together with the Office of Student Affairs and other campus partners, is committed to educating our students, faculty, and staff, not simply enforcing laws.

We encourage everyone to ask questions and seek guidance before a poor decision leads to lasting consequences.



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FOR EMERGENCIES