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Rogue Community College Will Not Allow Marijuana on Its Campuses

GRANTS PASS/MEDFORD, Ore.—Oregon voters approved Ballot Measure 91 on Nov. 4, 2014, making Oregon the third state to allow the possession and sale of cannabis for recreational use rather than strictly for medical use. The new law is in effect July 1, 2015.

This measure has raised questions about the use of marijuana on college campuses.

Rogue Community College puts the welfare of its students and their educations first. Rogue Community College will continue its compliance with the National Drug Free Schools and Campus Act of 1989--which bans alcohol and drugs from all school and campus activities--when the Oregon law goes into effect. The use of recreational marijuana will not be allowed and will be considered an infraction of school policy that could result in disciplinary action for students.

As a public institution, Rogue Community college receives Federal funds. Marijuana is prohibited by Federal law as a Schedule 1 drug, and to allow it on campus would be in violation of that law, putting the education of our students in jeopardy.

A complete text version of the ballot measure is available on Oregon.gov at http://www.oregon.gov/olcc/marijuana/Documents/Measure91.pdf.

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