

Tobacco Free Policy Statements:

1. My name is _____ and I am a staff/faculty/student here at the university. Are you aware that UH is a tobacco free campus?
2. My name is _____ and I am a staff/faculty/student here at UH. Are you aware that UH has a tobacco free campus policy?
3. Good morning, afternoon or evening. My name is _____ and I am a staff/faculty/student here. There is no smoking on campus. That includes any nicotine delivering devices, E-cigs and vapors.

Scenarios:

1. A couple of students smoking in front of the library. They realize you are an authoritative figure and wonders why you are approaching them. Each one is smoking a cigarette. One hides the cigarette and the other one takes another puff. What do you do?
 - a. Response: Use #2
2. Walking around campus you see a student walking smoking a vaporizer. How do you approach the student?
 - a. Response: Use # 3
 - b. Student responds "this does not contain any nicotine, just glycerin, water and flavor."
 - c. Response: The policy restricts all forms of smoking including e-cigs and vapors. Until we know they do not carry nicotine, banning of all is the best choice. (follow-up needed if the person is shocked by what you said). I understand that yours may not have nicotine or THC but others might.
3. "Where am I allowed to smoke?"
 - a. Response: "The use of tobacco products is not allowed anywhere on the campus. If you need to smoke or use tobacco products, you will need to leave the campus. Thank you for respecting our policy."
4. You are conducting an orientation session for prospective students and their families, prior to attending UH. How do you provide the notice of the policy?
 - a. Response: "I'd like to let you know in advance that UH is a tobacco-free environment as of August, 2015. The use of any tobacco products including e-cigs and vapors are not allowed on our campus."
5. Isn't this an example of the college taking away my right to smoke when I pay a lot in tuition?
 - a. Response: The campus administration is responsible for providing a safe environment for the campus protecting all on campus from secondhand smoke.