

## Assessment Day Tobacco Survey Report – 2012

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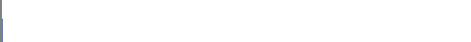
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### 1. Enrollment Status

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Full-Time (12 hours or more)		336	92%
2	Part-Time (fewer than 12 hours)		28	8%
	Total		364	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.08
Variance	0.07
Standard Deviation	0.27
Total Responses	364

## 2. Living Arrangements

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Residence Hall		150	42%
2	Greek House/Apartments		1	0%
3	Apartment/House/etc.		125	35%
4	Parents/guardians		39	11%
5	Own Family		46	13%
	Total		361	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	5
Mean	2.53
Variance	2.07
Standard Deviation	1.44
Total Responses	361

## 3. At what age did you first start smoking cigarettes?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	10 or under		3	2%
2	11 - 15		32	24%
3	16 - 18		57	43%
4	19 - 24		36	27%
5	25 or older		4	3%
	Total		132	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	5
Mean	3.05
Variance	0.73
Standard Deviation	0.85
Total Responses	132

#### 4. Within the last 30 days, how many days did you smoke cigarettes?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	0 (quitting)	80	61%
2	1-5 days	16	12%
3	6-10 days	3	2%
4	11-20 days	6	5%
5	Every day	27	20%
	Total	132	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	5
Mean	2.12
Variance	2.66
Standard Deviation	1.63
Total Responses	132

## 5. How many cigarettes do you smoke in an average week?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	0 (quitting)		86	66%
2	1-10		13	10%
3	11-20		6	5%
4	21-30		2	2%
5	31-40		2	2%
6	41-60		5	4%
7	61 or more		17	13%
	Total		131	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	7
Mean	2.27
Variance	4.72
Standard Deviation	2.17
Total Responses	131

## 6. What would be helpful in quitting smoking? (please check all that apply here)

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Medication		44	38%
2	Smoking cessation classes		27	23%
3	Raise the price of Cigarettes		43	37%
4	More smoke-free places		44	38%
5	Peer pressure		33	28%
6	Other		21	18%

Other
Several respondents mentioned a strong desire to stop smoking
Free Patches
Less stress – several respondents mentioned this
Knowing it is harmful to health
Strong Negative Ads
One respondent said s/he stopped “cold turkey”
A supportive environment that makes you confident to quit
Will Power
Less Class Work

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	6
Total Responses	117

## 7. What percentage of Marshall Students do you think smoke cigarettes?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	1-10 %	12	3%
2	11-20%	58	16%
3	21-40%	143	40%
4	41-60%	98	27%
5	61- 75%	37	10%
6	Higher than 76%	13	4%
	Total	361	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	6
Mean	3.36
Variance	1.17
Standard Deviation	1.08
Total Responses	361

## 8. How often do you think the average student on campus smokes cigarettes?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Never	12	3%
2	Once or twice a year	14	4%
3	Once or twice a month	38	11%
4	Once or twice a week	89	25%
5	Daily	206	57%
	Total	359	100%

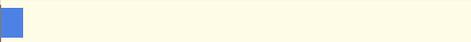
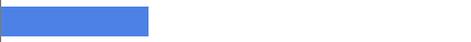
Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	5
Mean	4.29
Variance	1.06
Standard Deviation	1.03
Total Responses	359

## 9. Have you ever used smokeless tobacco?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		43	12%
2	No		318	88%
	Total		361	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.88
Variance	0.11
Standard Deviation	0.32
Total Responses	361

## 10. At what age did you first start using smokeless tobacco?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	10 or under		2	5%
2	11 - 15		13	31%
3	16 - 18		12	29%
4	19 - 24		11	26%
5	25 or older		4	10%
	Total		42	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	5
Mean	3.05
Variance	1.17
Standard Deviation	1.08
Total Responses	42

## 11. How many times have you tried to quit smokeless tobacco?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Never		21	50%
2	1-2 times		16	38%
3	3-4 times		3	7%
4	5 or more		2	5%
	Total		42	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	4
Mean	1.67
Variance	0.67
Standard Deviation	0.82
Total Responses	42

## 12. Within the last 30 days, how many days did you use smokeless tobacco?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	0 (quitting)		32	76%
2	1-5 days		3	7%
3	6-10 days		1	2%
4	11-20 days		1	2%
5	Every Day		5	12%
	Total		42	100%

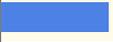
Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	5
Mean	1.67
Variance	1.89
Standard Deviation	1.37
Total Responses	42

### 13. How much smokeless tobacco do you consume on an average week?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	1/2 can/pouch	24	80%
2	1 can/pouch	1	3%
3	1.5 can/pouch	0	0%
4	2 cans/pouches	0	0%
5	3 cans/pouches	0	0%
6	More than 3 cans/pouches	5	17%
	Total	30	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	6
Mean	1.87
Variance	3.57
Standard Deviation	1.89
Total Responses	30

## 14. What percentage of Marshall Students do you think use smokeless tobacco?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	1-10 %		114	32%
2	11-20%		121	34%
3	21-40%		81	23%
4	41-60%		27	8%
5	61- 75%		8	2%
6	Higher than 76%		5	1%
	Total		356	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	6
Mean	2.18
Variance	1.25
Standard Deviation	1.12
Total Responses	356

### 15. How often do you think the average student on campus uses smokeless tobacco?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Never		34	9%
2	Once or twice a year		38	11%
3	Once or twice a Month		37	10%
4	2-3 Times a Month		40	11%
5	Once or twice a Week		103	29%
6	Daily		108	30%
	Total		360	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	6
Mean	4.29
Variance	2.79
Standard Deviation	1.67
Total Responses	360

### 16. Do you know about Marshall University's policy on tobacco use?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		186	52%
2	No		174	48%
	Total		360	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.48
Variance	0.25
Standard Deviation	0.50
Total Responses	360

**17. Where can you go for help on Marshall's campus to quit using tobacco? (Choose all that apply)**

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Student Health	284	83%
2	Student Health Education Programs	233	68%
3	Counseling Center	240	70%
4	Psychology Clinic	151	44%
5	Other	11	3%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	5
Total Responses	342

**18. If all of Marshall's Campus were smoke-free (grounds and parking), do you think it would help students quit smoking?**

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	187	52%
2	No	173	48%
	Total	360	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.48
Variance	0.25
Standard Deviation	0.50
Total Responses	360

### 19. Would you like all of Marshall's campus (grounds and parking) to be smoke-free?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	252	71%
2	No	104	29%
	Total	356	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.29
Variance	0.21
Standard Deviation	0.46
Total Responses	356

### 20. Do you think tobacco use is unattractive?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	301	84%
2	No	58	16%
	Total	359	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.16
Variance	0.14
Standard Deviation	0.37
Total Responses	359

## 21. Do you think tobacco use is cool?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	11	3%
2	No	348	97%
	Total	359	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.97
Variance	0.03
Standard Deviation	0.17
Total Responses	359

## 22. Does it bother you to smell smoke in a public area?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	265	74%
2	No	94	26%
	Total	359	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.26
Variance	0.19
Standard Deviation	0.44
Total Responses	359

### 23. Does it bother you to see used tobacco products on campus (cigarette butts/dip)?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	277	78%
2	No	80	22%
	Total	357	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.22
Variance	0.17
Standard Deviation	0.42
Total Responses	357

### 24. Whom would you prefer to date?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Non-Smoker	330	93%
2	Smoker	25	7%
	Total	355	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.07
Variance	0.07
Standard Deviation	0.26
Total Responses	355

## 25. Age

#	Answer		Response	%
1	18		32	9%
2	19 - 20		118	32%
3	21 - 23		106	29%
4	24-29		49	13%
5	30 or older		59	16%
	Total		364	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	5
Mean	2.96
Variance	1.46
Standard Deviation	1.21
Total Responses	364

## 26. Gender

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Male		129	36%
2	Female		232	64%
	Total		361	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.64
Variance	0.23
Standard Deviation	0.48
Total Responses	361

## 27. Class Rank

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Freshman	70	19%
2	Sophomore	66	18%
3	Junior	65	18%
4	Senior	92	26%
5	Graduate School	66	18%
6	Medical School	1	0%
	Total	360	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	6
Mean	3.06
Variance	1.98
Standard Deviation	1.41
Total Responses	360

## 28. Ethnic Origin

#	Answer		Response	%
1	White (Non-Hispanic)		320	89%
2	Black (Non-Hispanic)		14	4%
3	Hispanic		9	2%
4	American Indian/Alaskan Native		2	1%
5	Asian or Pacific Islander		8	2%
6	Other		8	2%
	Total		361	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	6
Mean	1.30
Variance	1.01
Standard Deviation	1.00
Total Responses	361

## 29. How many times have you tried to quit cigarettes?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	I've never tried to quit		36	27%
2	1-2 times		63	48%
3	3-4 times		18	14%
4	5 or more times		14	11%
	Total		131	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	4
Mean	2.08
Variance	0.84
Standard Deviation	0.92
Total Responses	131

### 30. Does cigarette smoking bother you on campus?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	242	67%
2	No	117	33%
	Total	359	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.33
Variance	0.22
Standard Deviation	0.47
Total Responses	359

### 31. Do you like smoke-free bars?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	295	82%
2	No	64	18%
	Total	359	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.18
Variance	0.15
Standard Deviation	0.38
Total Responses	359

### 32. Are you currently tobacco free?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	309	86%
2	No	52	14%
	Total	361	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.14
Variance	0.12
Standard Deviation	0.35
Total Responses	361

### 33. Have you ever used the following types of tobacco?

#	Question	Yes	No	Responses	Mean
1	Cigarettes	127	233	360	1.65
2	Chewing Tobacco	30	318	348	1.91
3	Snuff	25	321	346	1.93
4	Snus	19	322	341	1.94
5	Vapor	10	331	341	1.97
6	Other	19	267	286	1.93

Other
Cigars – several responses patch
Hooka – several responses black and milds
Pipes

Statistic	Cigarettes	Chewing Tobacco	Snuff	Snus	Vapor	Other
Min Value	1	1	1	1	1	1
Max Value	2	2	2	2	2	2
Mean	1.65	1.91	1.93	1.94	1.97	1.93
Variance	0.23	0.08	0.07	0.05	0.03	0.08
Standard Deviation	0.48	0.28	0.26	0.23	0.17	0.27
Total Responses	360	348	346	341	341	287

### 35. Do you think tobacco use is harmful?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	356	98%
2	No	7	2%
	Total	363	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.02
Variance	0.02
Standard Deviation	0.14
Total Responses	363

### 36. Do you think cigarettes are harmful?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		359	99%
2	No		5	1%
	Total		364	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.01
Variance	0.01
Standard Deviation	0.12
Total Responses	364

### 37. Have you ever smoked cigarettes?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		134	37%
2	No		230	63%
	Total		364	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.63
Variance	0.23
Standard Deviation	0.48
Total Responses	364

### 38. Do you think smokeless tobacco is harmful?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		346	96%
2	No		15	4%
	Total		361	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.04
Variance	0.04
Standard Deviation	0.20
Total Responses	361

### 39. Some say allowing tobacco use infringes on the rights of those who do not use tobacco. What is your opinion?

#### Text Response

I think in order to be fair, you have to allow the students to use tobacco because they are addicted to it and there are only certain places they can smoke so I do not think it infringes on the rights of those who do not use.

Normally I would agree with this but the fact is that smoke bothers other people. If a person is by themselves then they can do whatever they like but when what they do causes harm or discomfort to other people then it is within the rights of the school to tell them to stop.

There is little that one does that does not "infringe" on the rights of another. I feel everyone has a right to a smoke free environment when they are at school or work. However, this simple argument has definitely expanded in recent years to encompass more and more space. It is almost to the point where smoking has been outlawed through legislation of where one can and cannot smoke even though we still as a society condone its sale and use. Recent talks of outlawing smoking in apartment complexes and cars has me worried that we are going too far in legislating this nasty habit.

It is unfair to the majority of students who are non-smokers to be bothered by smokers. If smokers choose to harm themselves by smoking they should not be putting it in healthy students' faces harming us.

I quit two years ago but believe it is a personal decision.

Having to breathe smoke when I don't smoke is an infringement on my rights.

I don't care. I'm still going to rub snuff in class. 2 deployments to Iraq says I can.

It's a free country, people should be able to do what they want

Smokers blowing smoke into the air is no different than a smoky car or manufacturing plant polluting the air.

It does, it forces us non smokers to smell and inhale their smoke when they smoke. It induces people's asthma

I completely agree. While tobacco use may not usually affect me as a non-smoker, it certainly does when I cannot walk into a building without walking through a wall of smoke. The entrances to Smith Hall and Harris Hall are particularly bad. If they have no problem ruining their health then they should do it somewhere off campus where it won't ruin mine in the process.

I think to an extent that it does infringe on our rights. I don't choose to smoke so I shouldn't have to be bothered with second-hand smoke.

I think that people should be considerate of others. If smoking really affects the people around them, then the smokers should go somewhere we it doesn't upset people. But, the smoke doesn't really bother me. I think that smoking should only happen outside and not directly in front of the entrances.

I wouldn't say that it infringes on the rights of people who do not use tobacco, but I do wish there were at least designated smoking areas and smokers/dippers did not leave their remnants lying around.

Yes

I think this is a free country and while smoking inside of buildings should most certainly be banned, there is absolutely no reason that someone can't smoke outside in the open air. I do think that smokers

should dispose of their butts in the proper place though and throwing one down should be treated as littering on campus.

I agree. I was raised in a family of tobacco farmers, but the risks of 2nd hand smoke and the potential harm it does to those who choose not to smoke is unacceptable. Smokers should be required to smoke in places where it doesn't affect others (which is virtually nowhere)

I agree. I wish there were enforced designated smoking areas. I have to walk through a crowd of smokers to get into Harris Hall (campus side) every day. I choose not to smoke and I recognize other people choose TO smoke, however, I wish they would respect my rights as much as I respect theirs. Smokeless tobacco is just disgusting to be around; it doesn't affect me in a negative way. Cigarettes, however, force me to inhale second hand smoke which CAN negatively affect me. I feel like my right to a healthy body is being taken away.

I agree; I really hate entering a building that is surrounded by smokers so it's unavoidable to breath it in. When smokers do not stay in their designated areas, I agree with this statement.

I believe that the use of tobacco is nasty but I do not think that. If a person is going to use tobacco they will use it. If they make a rule that says you can't people will still sneak to do it. It is how our society is these days.

It depends on whether the use is directly affecting others.

I think that those who do not use tobacco have to deal with people who are constantly around them using tobacco, especially standing outside of classroom buildings being surrounded by smoke.

I absolutely agree. I have bad asthma/allergies and almost every day I have to walk through a cloud of smoke in order to enter a Harris Hall for my classes. Cigarette smoke gives me asthma attacks, but I can't avoid it if I want to go to class. If campus were tobacco-free, I would be able to breathe much better and it would encourage students to quit smoking.

It should not be allowed on campus. This is a learning institution, not a smoking facility like it seems to be in some areas on campus.

I agree! Just because they want to smoke and kill themselves doesn't mean they should be able to impact the lives of people who don't like smoke. Having smoking sections is pointless. I often compare it to a peeing section in a pool because eventually it will diffuse everywhere. There is nothing worse than being stuck walking behind someone who is smoking or dipping! Personally I am allergic to tobacco smoke and get quite sick if I have to be around it and dip is just disgusting. So I am all for MU going smoke/tobacco free!

And telling them they can't is the same thing for the smokers so.... stalemate

I think everyone has a right to make their own choice about whether to personally use tobacco. However, I think that there should be one designated area for smoking, and the rest of the campus should be left smoke free.

I think choosing to smoke is a personal freedom and should not be regulated by the government.

Those who do not use tobacco have a right to remain healthy. I do not appreciate inhaling secondhand smoke as I walk to and from class or just around campus in general. Secondhand smoke can be more harmful than actually smoking. I think it would be wonderful to have a smoke free campus.

I believe tobacco use infringes not only on the rights, but also infringes on the health of those who do not use tobacco.

Second hand smoke harms other people besides the smoker. Therefore, it does infringe on my rights.

I do agree with this statement. Some people have strong negative feelings about tobacco use and cannot stand the sight or smell of a tobacco user. I do feel that "smoke breaks" are hypocritical since non-smokers do not get "fresh air breaks." However, I feel that the designated areas for smoking on campus helps keep those people who cannot stand tobacco use from being offended or bothered because the areas are well marked and away from entrances to buildings, etc.

I personally try to stay away from it; I believe that if we designate certain areas to smoke it would eliminate part of the problem.

It's hard to avoid cigarette smoke, even outdoors.

Completely agree

I agree. I hate to smell smoke outside and see butts littering the street and grounds. It affects us all.

It's not right to do away with someone else's habit to please the other percent of people who don't do it.

I just hate being caught behind smokers while walking on the sidewalks! It's gross! However, I suppose we do deserve equal rights and for those who want to harm their bodies with tobacco, designated areas on campus should be made for smoking far from any building entrances or heavy traffic areas of walkways.

I think the smoke and smell are annoying and can be harmful.

I do not care about tobacco use as long as smoking is conducted in the proper manner as set forth by the university.

I agree

I agree if they are in the same area but at the same time, if you don't want to be around tobacco then go somewhere else where it's not being used.

I believe that as a person who does not use tobacco, I have the right to not be forced to walk through a cloud of cigarette smoke to enter a building. Although I also believe that tobacco, being a known carcinogen, should be illegal, I am aware that everyone has the right to use tobacco. I believe tobacco users should be more considerate to non-users.

I don't want them blowing it in my direction, but other than that I don't care.

Don't agree

The reverse is true. Smokers have consciously made the decision to consume tobacco products as a result of living in a free market environment. As much as I detest cigarette smoke and would love a smoke free campus, I have no right to ban it from the campus.

I do feel that is true. Some people say that we should not have a smoke-free campus because it infringes on smokers' rights. However, I feel that smoke on campus is a bother to me as a non-smoker. The second I walk outside of a building on campus, I am smacked in the face with smoke. I have asthma that is triggered from smoke so it is extra bothersome to me.

I don't think it infringes on the rights of others. I feel it is rude to smoke in a public place, especially since you have no idea if the smell will bother someone.

I agree.

I definitely agree with this statement because people who do not use tobacco or cigarettes have to be around it and be exposed to second-hand smoking whether they want to or not because so many people on campus smoke. I find it almost rude that Marshall allows smoking on campus and does not really enforce the policy of smoking outside of buildings.

I agree.

I think disallowing tobacco use infringes on the rights of those who do use tobacco. As an ex smoker, it doesn't bother me at all for other people to smoke, and quite frankly, I resent interventions that make attempts to tell people what they can and cannot do.

I agree.

I don't think it infringes on rights, but smokers should be more considerate when they choose where to smoke. Some smokers smoke on their walk to class, which means that smoke blows back onto everyone walking behind them.

Those people are infringing on people rights to breathe clean air. I think the right to health should trump the right to smoke.

I think there should be designated areas. I also think there should be HUGE fines for littering butts. It's disgusting.

We live with industry polluting the air more than tobacco products can do. I particularly fought for freedom in Afghanistan...that includes the freedom to smoke-especially outside. The limits are sufficient for all parties to come to an understanding. However you cannot uphold freedom by restricting others. To try to make others obey a twisted almost Fascist viewpoint....especially at a university that should be promoting differing viewpoints and ideas....is quite shameful.

Campus is open air. It's not a confined space that you can't get away from. Smokers have the right to smoke when they're outside.

Everyone has the right to choose whether or not to smoke. However, there are serious health concerns for many individuals who do not smoke, yet are exposed to it. Limitations and strict locations should be made so that those who do not like to smell smoke, or those for whom it may cause an issue, are not affected. Making people stand so many feet away from the door into a building doesn't prevent me from having to walk through the smoke from the smoker.

Certainly not good for people with breathing problems.

I completely agree. If I have to smell nasty cigarette smoke, my rights are infringed upon.

I do believe it infringes. I am not a smoker, so why would I want someone else to force me to "smoke" second hand smoke.

It is known to cause cancer and they are putting other people in direct contact with that when they would not normally be in contact with a direct cancer causing component normally.

If they want to smoke let them

agree

Smoking is not a right, it is a choice. Rights are free speech and due process, not tobacco.

I don't totally agree on that. A person has the right to go somewhere else if bothered by something.

I think it's a tricky thing. It does, but then banning it infringes on the rights of those who do use tobacco. It's a no-win situation.

I think it is a person's right to smoke or not smoke. People have the right to free speech and say what they want to say. Then why can't people smoke or perhaps smoke where they want to smoke?

That is absurd.

I agree. Harmfulness of secondhand and third-hand smoke is scientifically proven.

Being an asthmatic walking through giant clouds of smoke on campus makes it hard to breathe. Many

other public places are smoke and tobacco free. Campus should be too.

In a way it does because when smokers are smoking around non-smokers it causes the non-smokers to have to inhale the vapors through second hand smoke.

As a non-smoker I don't believe it infringes on their rights. Marshall University owns Marshall and they can decide if you smoke or not. It's not a smoker's right to smoke on campus. They can go off campus if they want to smoke. You can't go into Walmart and say don't video-tape me. Don't like being video-taped, don't go to Walmart. If you're against smoking on campus go somewhere else.

I lived with a smoker for 20 years, so it doesn't personally bother me. I'm not sure how I feel about this statement.

I agree. I should not have my rights violated by being exposed to deadly second-hand smoke on campus.

My health is also important and when I am around smoke I am unable to breath as well due to my asthma. It is their choice to smoke, but not my choice to harm my health with their second hand smoke. It's not a right to smoke; it is a choice!

The health effects of consistent "second hand smoke" (SHS) exposure are well documented in the scientific community. The use of tobacco products around non-users who inhale SHS are subjected to side-stream (comes from the end of a lighted tobacco product) and main-stream smoke (exhaled from the smoker). Side-stream smoke has higher concentrations of known carcinogens and the particulates in this type of smoke are much smaller making them much easier to be absorbed by a bystander. These smoke particulates contain over 7000 chemicals hundreds are toxic and about 70 can cause cancer. Allowing tobacco use in public places infringes on the health and well-being of non-smokers and those that wish to quit by subjecting them to these types of SHS.

I don't believe that it infringes on the rights of those who do not use tobacco because what about the people's rights that do use tobacco.

I feel tobacco is a major part of America's agriculture and if people don't want to be a part of what made America what it is today, they should group with the terrorists.

Allowing tobacco does infringe on the rights of those who choose not to smoke, because we have to not only smell, but also inhale the second hand smoke from the students and staff on the campus who do choose to smoke.

Telling people they can't smoke in a public places infringes on their rights. Marshall University is a public University that accepts state funds that are raised with taxpayer revenue. Therefore, grounds is a public place, which allows people to do what they want (within reason obviously) because they pay for it.

I agree

It's their choice.

I think we are always exposed to things we don't particularly like or want to partake in; however, tobacco products are harmful and those who do not wish to be around tobacco shouldn't have to.

If people want to give themselves lung cancer, kindly leave the rest of the population out. I don't want to breathe in someone's second-hand smoke, especially since I have asthma. It does take away our rights to breathe smoke-free air. We shouldn't have to smell it.

It hurts my rights walking to class behind smokers.

I believe that there should be designated places for people to smoke just out of courtesy to those who don't. I however believe that the choice of the person doing the act is their own and that they have the

right to make their own choices.

I agree, because there is always one less thing that we, who do not smoke, that don't have the right to do something.

I think that by banning smoking in bars smokers' rights are infringed upon, and it would be the same if the entire campus of Marshall became smoke-free. Students who smoke during class breaks would have to go off campus to enjoy their cigarette and would likely be rushed to make it back to class in time. If they do not smoke during the break they will likely spend the rest of class wishing they could have a smoke. I am not a smoker, but I support the right of people to buy and enjoy cigarettes. There is enough information out there about the harmful nature of tobacco that most smokers know they are doing something unhealthy and accept that. It is just like people who drink a lot of soda; they know they shouldn't, but they choose to do so anyway. There is plenty of space for non-smokers on campus to avoid inhaling dangerous amounts of cigarette smoke if any.

Free country

People have free rights. I think that on campus students would not be allowed to smoke, they should have to go to the parking lot to do so.

I do not like being forced to smell smoke all of the time. Also, a lot of people have allergies and asthma, and smelling the smoke so often throughout the day can interfere with their learning.

I agree because I am affected by the cigarette smoke in the air every day when I walk to and from class and am surrounded by those who choose to smoke.

Double standard...

You should be able to use smoking tobacco, but not in the areas that are publicly used.

Smoker or non-smoker, we have the right to make the choice whether we want to smoke or not or be around it.

I disagree.

I Agree. We Want to Live Smoke Free But Can't Because Of Second Hand Smoke

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