

## WALKING TRAIL USAGE POLICY

Right of way and rules of use are required for the safety of the walking trail ("trail") users and to protect, preserve the environment near the trail and Southern Arkansas University Tech's ("SAUT's") property.

SAUT assumes no liability for accidents and/or injuries and assumes no liability for the loss of or damage to non-college property.

Trail users are expected to abide by the following policies.

The trail will be for pedestrians only. Pedestrians include walkers, joggers, and runners. Children, under age 12, must be accompanied by an adult. No motorized traffic, bicycles, tricycles, scooters, skateboards, rollerblades, etc.

DAMAGE/MISUSE OF PROPERTY: The Director of Physical Plant will be responsible for assessing the damage/misuse of the trail and any property associated with the trail and for setting restitution for such damage/misuse. Restitution may be monetary or loss of privilege to use the trail. SAUT reserves the right to take legal action to collect any assessed damages and associated costs of collection

## DAYS & HOURS AVAILABLE

FOOD & DRINKS: No food or drinks will be allowed near the trail except water in plastic containers. The use or possession of alcoholic beverages in any form is prohibited on

SAUT's property.

PERIODIC CLOSURES: Periodic closures can be necessary due to maintenance, repair for safety, weather, and seasonal closure. SAUT will post the appropriate sign indicating why the trail is closed and the dates of closure.

PETS: Dogs must be under control and on a leash no longer than six feet. Dog owners will maintain control of dog and not allow dog to harass wildlife. Dog droppings must be removed by dog owners. Animals other than dogs are not permitted.

TOBACCO-FREE CAMPUS: In compliance with the Arkansas Clean Indoor Air Act of 2006, The Clean Air on Campus Act of 2009 and SAUT policy, SAUT is a tobacco-free campus. The use of tobacco products is prohibited in all on-campus and off-campus buildings owned, leased or controlled by SAUT; on all grounds owned, leased or controlled by SAUT; and all vehicles owned, leased or controlled by SAUT. Act 734 of 2009, The Arkansas Clean Air Act of 2009, mandates that all state supported colleges and universities along with all properties controlled by those institutions must be smoke free by August 1, 2010. Beginning August 1, any person found guilty of violating the provisions of Act 734 shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 and not more than \$500.

TRAFFIC & PARKING: Trail users will abide by all SAUT traffic and parking regulations. Designated parking for trail users is available in the staff/student parking west of the Administration Building.

## TRAIL ETIQUETTE

- Courtesy is an underlying value of trail use. •
- Stay on the trail; stay right and use no more than half the trail; allow oncoming traffic to pass.
- Left of trail used for passing only.
- Yield to through traffic when entering trail. .
- Do not deface or damage natural features.
- Nothing is to be affixed to or attached to or set upon the grounds (to include trees), bridges, light poles, benches, or any other structure located near the trail.
- Only jogging, running, tennis or walking shoes allowed.
- Do not frighten, molest, destroy, or move any form of wildlife. .
- No littering.
- No loitering.

WEAPONS: No weapons are allowed on SAUT property except for SAUT Campus Police who are required to carry weapons as part of their job.