Below are the Allegheny College policies governing tailgates hosted by parents, alumni and other athletically affiliated groups. Tailgating can be a fun family-friendly event. In the spirit of this exciting experience we ask all those consuming alcohol to drink responsibly. To provide for the safety of our students and guests, please follow the tailgating policies detailed below. Adherence to these policies will ensure a safe and enjoyable tailgating experience for everyone.

**General**

- Tailgating is allowed in conjunction with Saturday or Sunday outdoor varsity contests in the following designated tailgate areas:
  1. For football & soccer games - the upper grass parking lot next to Fuhrer Field.
  2. For baseball, softball & lacrosse games – the grass area next to paved parking lot or the picnic shelter by the tennis courts if available (shelter needs to be reserved by contacting Associate Director of Athletics and Recreation in advance).

- Tailgating may begin 2 hours prior to the start of the game and closes 90 minutes following the contest.

- Tailgating is not permitted during the games or at half-time except for College sponsored tailgates.

**Tailgate set-up**

- No oversized vehicles are allowed; passenger vehicles only.

- Open flames are prohibited, including fire pits, as well as the use of portable fire places and tiki torches. Propane and charcoal grills are allowed. Please dispose of charcoal appropriately.

- Tailgaters are responsible for cleaning their tailgating area and properly disposing of their trash and other items.

- Tailgaters are responsible for bringing their own tents, tables, chairs, etc.

- Only small portable radio/stereo units will be allowed.

**Conduct**

- **ALCOHOL:** Please be respectful of other tailgaters around you and remember that all students are subject to the alcohol policies stated in the Compass Student Handbook. As defined in this policy, tailgating may involve the consumption of alcohol in the designated area. Allegheny College does not sanction the violation of federal, state, or local laws, including the consumption/possession of alcoholic beverages by underage persons. Individuals participating in tailgating activities at Allegheny College are expected to conduct themselves in a respectful manner; including following the directives of event staff and Campus Security officials.
• Students currently enrolled at Allegheny College are not permitted to host a tailgate that includes the use of alcohol.
• Tailgate hosts are responsible for the comportment of their guests and compliance with College policies. Should Campus Security or other College officials observe behavior not in keeping with institutional policies or expectations of behavior, they are authorized to end the event and remove participants from the premises.
• Serving alcohol to or consumption of alcohol by minors (those under the age of 21) is a violation of state and federal law and College policy. Individuals consuming alcohol may be asked to provide identification and proof of age at any time by Campus Security.
• Beverages, including alcohol are limited to those contained in plastic or aluminum cans. Glass bottles, kegs, beer balls or other common source containers are not permitted. Also, the amount of alcohol brought in must be proportionate to the number of people attending the tailgate.
• Alcohol may not be consumed outside the designated tailgate area and is prohibited elsewhere in the parking lot and within the athletic complex.

• Campus Security reserves the right to monitor tailgating activities and remove or restrict individuals who display inappropriate behavior. In addition, Campus Security officers may verify the legal age of any persons consuming alcohol and to take whatever actions necessary, up to and including notifying the City of Meadville Police Department.
• Violations of these or other College policies during the course of the tailgate will be barred from hosting such in the future.
• In case of an emergency, please contact Allegheny College Campus Security Office at 814.332.3357 or dial 911.

Special tailgating event requests (i.e. alumni events, etc.) can be made directly to Associate Director of Athletics and Recreation Bill Ross at wross@allegheny.edu.