

Prohibition of Tobacco Possession and Use

The Board recognizes that tobacco use by students presents a health and safety hazard that can have serious consequences for both users and nonusers and the school environment.

The Board prohibits tobacco use and possession by students at any time in a school building or on any school property, buses, vans, or vehicles that are owned, leased, or controlled by the District. Tobacco use and possession by students is also prohibited at school-sponsored activities that are held off school property. Conspicuous signs declaring buildings to be smoke free may be posted in all main entrances of all District buildings. Administrators and other staff members will make a positive effort to monitor buildings during athletic and other events when smoking has traditionally been a problem.

The District may initiate discipline according to the District’s Student Discipline policy and/or prosecution of a student who possesses or uses tobacco in violation of this policy. Additionally, violators will be advised of the District policy.

District employees may be advised of the "Smoke Free" policy in the annual meeting at the beginning of school each year.

Definition

For the purposes of this policy, tobacco use shall be defined as the use and/or possession of a lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, smokeless tobacco in any form, and other smoking products specifically including electronic cigarettes, electronic nicotine delivery systems, or vaporizer smoking devices.

Cross Reference: 3300 Drug Free School Zone
 3330 Student Discipline

Legal Reference: I.C. § 39-5703 Possession, Distribution, or Use by a Minor
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