

USE OF TOBACCO ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

The board recognizes that to protect students from exposure to the addictive substance of nicotine, staff members and officers of the district, and all members of the community, have an obligation as role models to refrain from the use of tobacco products and delivery devices on school property at all times. Tobacco products and delivery devices include, but are not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, snuff, smoking tobacco, smokeless tobacco, nicotine, electronic smoking/vapor devices, and vapor products, non-prescribed inhalers, nicotine delivery devices or chemicals that are not FDA-approved to help people quit using tobacco, devices that produce the same flavor or physical effect of nicotine substances and any other smoking equipment, device, material or innovation.

Any use of such products and delivery devices by staff members, students, visitors and community members will be prohibited on all school district property, including all district buildings, grounds and district-owned vehicles, and within five hundred feet of schools. Possession by or distribution of tobacco products to any person under twenty-one (21) years of age is prohibited.

The use of Federal Drug Administration (FDA) approved nicotine replacement therapy in the form of a nicotine patch, gum or lozenge is permitted. However, students and staff members must follow applicable policies regarding use of medication at school.

Notices advising students, district staff members and community members of this policy will be posted in appropriate locations in all district buildings and at other district facilities as determined by the superintendent or designee and will be included in the employee and student handbooks. Staff members and students are subject to discipline for violations of this policy, and district staff members are responsible for the enforcement of the policy.

Cross References:

- 2121 - Substance Abuse Program
- 3200 - Rights and Responsibilities
- 3230 - Student Privacy and Searches
- 3241 - Student Discipline
- 3416 - Medication at School
- 5201 - Drug-Free Schools, Community, and Workplace
- 5203 - Staff Assistance Program
- 5280 - Separation from Employment

Legal References:

- RCW 28A.210.260 Public and private schools — Administration of medication — Conditions.

RCW 28A.210.270 Public and private schools — Administration of medication — Immunity from liability — Discontinuance, procedure.

RCW 28A.210.310 Prohibition on use of tobacco products on school property

Chapter 70.155, RCW Tobacco – Access to Minors

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