

USE OF TOBACCO AND NICOTINE SUBSTANCES

The board of directors recognizes that to protect students from exposure to the addictive substance of nicotine, employees and officers of the school district, and all members of the community, have an obligation as role models to refrain from tobacco products and delivery devices on school property at all times. Tobacco products and delivery devices or chemicals includes, but is not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, snuff, smoking tobacco, smokeless tobacco, nicotine, electronic smoking/vapor devices and vapor products, non-prescribed inhalers, nicotine delivering 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, students, visitors and community members shall be prohibited on all school district property including all district buildings, grounds, and district-owned vehicles, and within five hundred feet of schools. Possession or distribution of tobacco products by minors is prohibited.

The use of Federal Drug Administration (FDA) approved nicotine replacement therapy is permitted. However, students must have a physician's prescription for the FDA approved nicotine replacement therapy and must follow applicable policies regarding use of medication by students.

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

Cross References: Board Policy 3200 Student Rights and Responsibilities
 Board Policy 3241 Classroom Management, Corrective Actions or
 Punishments
 Board Policy 5280 Termination of Employment

Legal References: RCW 28A.210.310 Prohibition on use of tobacco products on school
 property
 RCW 70.155.080 Purchasing, obtaining or possessing tobacco by Minors
 — Civil infraction

Management Resources: July Policy Issue – 2016
 February Policy Issue - 2014
 December Policy Issue - 2010
 October Policy Issue - 2010

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