

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Prohibition on use of Tobacco and Nicotine Products and Delivery Devices

The Board recognizes that to protect students from exposure to the addictive substance of nicotine, employees and officers of the District, and all members of the community, have an obligation as role models to refrain from 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/vaping devices and vapor products, non-prescribed inhalers; nicotine delivery devices or chemicals that are not approved by the Federal Drug Administration (FDA) 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 school district property and within five hundred feet of schools. Possession by, or distribution of tobacco products to, minors is prohibited. This shall include all District buildings and property, grounds such as fields, parking lots, and other outside areas, and District-owned vehicles.

The use of FDA-approved nicotine replacement therapy in the form of a nicotine patch, gum, or lozenge is permitted. However, students and employees must follow applicable policies regarding use of medication at school.

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 employee and student handbooks. Employees and students are subject to discipline for violations of this policy, and District employees are responsible for the enforcement of the policy.

Cross References:

3200 Students' Rights and Responsibilities
3241 Classroom Management and Student Discipline, Range of Penalties
3416 Medication at School
5201 Drug-Free Schools, Community and Workplace
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 persons under 18—Civil
infraction—Jurisdiction.
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
Chapter 70.155, RCW Tobacco-Access to Minors

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