DRUG/ALCOHOL/TOBACCO/OTHER SUBSTANCE USE BY STUDENTS

The possession, distribution or use of alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, nicotine, e-cigarettes, vaping devices, tobacco look-alike devices, drugs for which the user does not have a lawful prescription, or other substance that is used to alter the mental processing or impair the judgment or motor skills of a student is prohibited in all school buildings, school grounds, school function, and any school-sponsored trip. Students are prohibited from being in any school building, on school grounds, or at any school function while under the influence of alcohol, drugs or other substances or following the immediate prior use of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or other substances. This policy shall apply to all students regardless of whether or not they are of legal age and regardless of the location of the school function.

The reference herein to "other substance" is intended to prohibit the use, possession, or distribution of any substance for the purpose of altering the mental processing or impairing the consumer's judgment or motor skills, or for use contrary to the lawful and intended use of the substance.

Any student suspected of being under the influence of alcohol, drugs or other substance or whose immediate prior use of alcohol, drugs, or other substance is suspected may be removed from the classroom, school building, school grounds, or school function pending further investigation. Students may be suspended or expelled for violation of this policy. In addition, any offense of this policy will be reported to the police department.

To help students in violation of this policy, District and community resources will be available to work toward overcoming the illegal use of tobacco, alcohol, drugs or other substances. Students may self-refer or be remanded to such District and community resource providers. The responsibility of correcting an identified problem is that of the student and his/her parent(s).

The District will educate students to bring about awareness and understanding of the dangers inherent in the use/abuse of alcohol, tobacco, controlled drugs, or other substances.

The District may provide guidance to students seeking to obtain counseling for drugs/substances and/or alcohol-related problems and/or provide information as to where appropriate help can be received.

ALCOHOL/TOBACCO/DRUG/SUBSTANCE ABUSE BY STUDENTS

See also policies:

JIH- Student Searches, Information Gathering, and Student Arrests

GBEC - Drug/ Alcohol/ Tobacco Free Workplace Program KFA - Drug/ Alcohol/ Tobacco Free - School Property

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