

Discipline for Use, Possession, Distribution or Sale of Tobacco Products or Inhalant Delivery Systems

The following guidelines will govern possession, use, distribution and sale of tobacco products or inhalant delivery systems, or violation of the district's prohibition of tobacco product or inhalant delivery system promotional items, including clothing, bags, hats and other personal items by students on district property or at school-sponsored activities.

Violation will result in the following:

First offense: The administrator will:

- Confer with the student regarding the tobacco policy;
- Suspend the student from school for three school days;
- Notify the parents via the telephone and in writing of the student's violation and the consequences of repeated violations;
- Notify the appropriate authorities.

The administrator has the option to recommend that the suspension not be implemented if the student signs a contract verifying the intent to participate in a smoking cessation program which extends over an eight week period. Failure to complete the eight week course will result in the implementation of the three-day suspension.

Second offense: The administrator will:

- Confer with the student regarding the tobacco policy;
- Suspend the student from school for five school days;
- Notify the parents via the telephone and in writing of the student's violation and the consequences of repeated violations;
- Notify the appropriate authorities.

The administrator has the option to recommend that the suspension not be implemented if the student signs a contract verifying the intent to participate in a smoking cessation program which extends over an eight week period. Failure to complete the eight-week course will result in the implementation of the five-day suspension.

Third offense: The administrator will:

- Suspend the student pending an expulsion hearing.

At any grade or offense level, as either an alternative to, or as a part of discipline, school or community service and/or attendance and successful completion of cessation and/or education classes or behavior modification plans may be assigned at the discretion of the principal or designee. Attendance at such classes not offered by the district will be voluntary and any associated costs are the sole responsibility of the student and his/her parent. A referral to law enforcement and/or local public health authority may be made.