

Greater Albany SD 8J
Board Policy

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Toxic Art and Craft Materials Procedures

All art materials purchased by a school must follow the usage and labeling guideline published by Art and Creative Materials, Inc. (ACMI). Art or craft material that is considered by the Department of Human Services to contain a toxic substance causing chronic illness may not be ordered or purchased by a school or school district for use by students in kindergarten and grades 1 through 6. Also, any substance that is a toxic substance causing chronic illness may not be ordered or purchased by a school or school district for use by students in grades 7 through 12 unless the substance meets the labeling standards specific in ORS 453.235 (ORS 453-245) All schools are encouraged to dispose of art or craft materials which may contain human carcinogens, potential human carcinogens or toxic substances causing chronic illness, but which are not affected by ORS 453.205 to 453.275.

The ACMI Certified Products list is available at <http://www.acminet.org/CPList.pdf>. The first section of the list includes materials certified as Non-Toxic; they are appropriate for use in grades K-6. The second section of the list included materials deemed to bear proper health and safety use labeling and is intended to advise districts on materials it may want to select for students in grades 7-12, in addition to the first list of materials. Complete requirements for art and craft materials (ORS 453.205 to 453.275) may be found at <http://www.leg.state.or.us/ors/453.html> (labeling requirements may be found in ORS 453.235); more information is available at the ACMI webpage: <http://www.acminet.org/>, or contact Michael Fridley, Oregon Department of Education, Office of Educational Improvement, (503) 947-5660, Michael.fridley@state.or.us.