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## **Tobacco, Drug and Alcohol Abuse Program\*\***

### **Philosophy**

While drug, alcohol and tobacco abuse is dangerous in all segments of American society, it poses a special risk to young people by denying the opportunity to develop physically and psychologically. To this end, the district is committed to drug-free schools and intends to send an absolute and clear message that alcohol, drug and tobacco use is illegal and will not be allowed in the district or during school sponsored events and activities.

The district's drug and alcohol prevention program includes:

1. District philosophy;
2. Prevention education;
3. Intervention/referral and medical emergency procedure;
4. Consequences and law enforcement relations;
5. Access and use of federal monies;
6. Staff development;

### **Prevention Program**

The district will provide a Board adopted tobacco, drug and alcohol use prevention education program for all students.

The goal of the drug/alcohol education is to prevent substance use and shall include the following:

1. Curriculum

The curriculum will:

- a. Be developmentally appropriate for each grade level;
- b. Be consistent with the health education common curriculum goals;
- c. Reflect community values and attitudes;
- d. Be decided after consulting with parents, teachers, administrators, local community agencies and persons from the health or drug/alcohol service community;
- e. Be reviewed and adopted annually by the Board.

2. Instructional Requirements – Students

All students each year to be included in the health education curriculum;

3. Instructional Requirements – Activities

Shall include basic information:

- a. On the effects of alcohol, tobacco and other drug use;
- b. On the laws relating to the use, especially by minors of alcohol and other illegal drugs;
- c. On the availability of school and community resources.
- d. On understanding and managing peer pressure;
- e. On understanding the consequences of consuming alcohol or other drugs;
- f. On making informed and responsible decisions;
- g. On motivating students to adopt positive attitudes towards health and wellness.

Detailed and specific procedures for general and emergency intervention and referral shall be issued to all staff members annually. The intervention and referral process will be published each year in the student/parent handbook.

The possession, use and/or selling of tobacco, alcohol or unlawful drugs on school grounds or while participating in school-sponsored activities is prohibited and will result in disciplinary action and, if appropriate, referral to law enforcement officials.

When possible, application for other grants that are available for drug free schools will be made. The district will develop a public information plan for students, staff and parents.