

Elimination of Drugs and Alcohol on School Premises

Definition

“Illegal drug” is any drug which an individual may not sell, possess, use, distribute or purchase under state law, or as defined in schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. § 812) including, but not limited to, marijuana, cocaine, opiates, amphetamines and phencyclidine (PCP). As used in this policy, “illegal drug” also means possession, use, sale or supply of prescription and nonprescription medication - in violation of Board policy JHCD - Administering Noninjectable Medicines to Students and accompanying administrative regulation and JHCDA - Administering Injectable Medicines to Students. “Illegal drug” shall also include alcohol.

Use and Possession

Students who use, possess or are under the influence of illegal drugs and/or alcohol on or near (within 1,000 feet) district property during school hours or at any school-sponsored activity are subject to immediate suspension and/or expulsion.

1. First Offense

The principal shall:

- a. Notify and request a conference with the parents/guardians of the student.
- b. Suspend the student for the violation of district rules pending recommendation of expulsion.
- c. Turn over all drug-related evidence to the appropriate law enforcement agency.
- d. Require that for the student to be readmitted into the district educational programs, an evaluation be performed by a district approved third party at the parent’s expense. The results of the evaluation and/or treatment, if required, must be submitted to the principal or designee for consideration. The student and parents/guardians must agree to fulfill the recommendation of the evaluator and submit necessary progress reports to the principal or designee.
- e. Failure to comply with the requirement above will result in recommendation for expulsion up to the full extent of the law.

2. Second Offense and/or Subsequent Offenses

The principal shall:

- a. Notify and request a conference with the parents/guardians of the student.
- b. Suspend the student for the violation of district rules pending a recommendation to expel up to the full extent of the law.
- c. Notify the appropriate law enforcement.

Offenses accrued during grades six through eight will not carry over to the high school.

Distribution/Sharing

Students who share and/or distribute alcohol or other illegal drugs to other students or persons on or near (within 1,000 feet) district property during school hours or at any school-sponsored activity are subject to immediate suspension and/or expulsion.

1. First Offense

The principal shall:

- a. Notify and request a conference with the parents/guardians of the student.
- b. Suspend the student for the violation of district rules for up to ten school days, pending a recommendation to expel.
- c. Notify appropriate law enforcement/juvenile agency.
- d. Require that for a student to be readmitted into the district educational programs, a chemical abuse evaluation be performed by a district-approved third party at the parent's expense. The results of the evaluation and/or treatment, if required, must be submitted to the principal or designee for consideration. The student and parents/guardians must agree to fulfill the recommendation of the evaluator and submit necessary progress reports to the principal. When the agreed upon recommendations have been completed to the principal's satisfaction, the expulsion recommendation may be reduced to a period not less than three weeks. If the assessment does not recommend treatment, upon readmittance into school, a student shall be required to attend chemical abuse classes or a district-approved alternative.
- e. Failure to comply with the requirement above will result in recommendation for expulsion up to the full extent of the law.

2. Second Offense and/or Subsequent Offenses

The principal shall:

- a. Notify and request a conference with the parents/guardians of the student.
- b. Suspend the student for the violation of district rules for up to 10 days pending a recommendation to expel up to the full extent of the law.
- c. Notify appropriate law enforcement.

Offenses accrued during grades six through eight will not carry over to the high school.

Selling, Furnishing, Etc.

If it is established that a student is found to the furnishing, providing, giving or sharing alcohol and/or other illegal drugs to another person, that student shall be expelled from the district up to the full extent of school rules and the law.

Alternative Placement

Students eligible for special education under IDEA will be placed in an appropriate program following an IEP meeting.

Students who are eligible for services under Section 504 will be reevaluated and have their 504 plan reviewed prior to placement.