

Tobacco-Free Environment

The Board recognizes its responsibility to promote the health, welfare and safety of students, staff and others on district property and at school-sponsored activities. To be consistent with district curriculum and Oregon law, it is the intent of the Board to establish a tobacco-free environment. Consequently, student possession, use, distribution or sale of tobacco, including any smoking device, on district premises, at school-sponsored activities on or off district premises, in district-owned, rented or leased vehicles, or otherwise while the student is under the jurisdiction of the school, is prohibited. Tobacco use, distribution or sale by staff on district property, at district sponsored events, in district owned, rented or leased vehicles or otherwise while on duty on or off district premises is prohibited. Tobacco use, distribution or sale by others on district property, in district vehicles or at district sponsored events on or off district premises is also prohibited. Staff and/or all others authorized to use private vehicles to transport district students to school-sponsored activities are prohibited from using tobacco in those vehicles while students are under their care.

For the purposes of this policy, “tobacco” is defined to include any lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, bidi, clove cigarette, and any other smoking product, spit tobacco, also known as smokeless, dip, chew, snuff, in any form, nicotine or nicotine delivering devices, chemicals or devices that produce the physical effect of nicotine substances or any other tobacco substitute (e.g., e-cigarettes). This does not include FDA approved nicotine replacement therapy products used for the purpose of cessation.

Clothing, bags, hats and other personal items used by staff and students to display, promote or advertise tobacco products are prohibited on district grounds, at school-sponsored activities or in district vehicles. Tobacco advertising is prohibited in all school-sponsored publications in all school buildings and at all school-sponsored events. District acceptance of gifts or funds from the tobacco industry is similarly prohibited.

Student violations of this policy will lead to disciplinary action up to and including expulsion. Students may also be subject to removal from any or all extracurricular activities and/or denial or forfeiture of school honors or privileges (e.g., valedictorian, salutatorian, student body, class or club office positions, field trips, senior trip, prom, etc.). School and/or community service may be required. A referral to law enforcement may be made. Parents shall be notified of all violations involving their student and action taken by the school.

Staff violations of this policy may lead to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal. When considering disciplinary action for a child with disabilities, the district must follow the requirements of Board policy JGDA/JGEA - Discipline of Students with Disabilities, including those involving functional behavioral assessment, change of placement, manifestation determination, and an interim alternative educational setting. Violations by others will result in appropriate sanctions as determined and imposed by the superintendent or Board.

Attendance or completion of tobacco use cessation programs by students may be allowed as a substitute to, or as a part of student/staff discipline for possession, use, distribution or sale of tobacco at the discretion of

the principal. Attendance at cessation programs and related costs are the individual responsibility of the staff member, student and his/her parent and private health-care system.

The superintendent shall consult with local officials to promote enforcement of law that prohibits the possession of tobacco by minors on or off district grounds. This policy shall be enforced at all times. The superintendent will develop administrative regulations as needed to implement this policy.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 167.400	ORS 339.883	OAR 581-022-0413
ORS 332.107	ORS 431.840	OAR 581-053-0230(9)(s)
ORS 336.222	ORS 433.835 to- 433.990	OAR 581-053-0330(1)(m)
ORS 336.227		OAR 581-053-0430(12)
ORS 339.240	OAR 581-021-0050 to -0075	OAR 581-053-0531(11)
ORS 339.250	OAR 581-021-0110	OAR 581-053-0630

Pro-Children Act of 1994, 20 U.S.C. §§ 6081-6084 (2006).

Cross Reference(s):

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