

**Saint Helens  
School District 502**

Code: **KGC/GBK/JFCG**  
Adopted: 6/06  
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Orig. Code(s): KGC/GBK/JFCG

**Tobacco-Free Environment**

It is the school's obligation to protect the health, welfare and safety of students. In light of scientific evidence that the use of tobacco is hazardous to health, and to be consistent with district curriculum and Oregon law, possession, use, distribution or sale of tobacco in any form on district premises, at school-sponsored activities including non-school hours is prohibited.

For the purpose of this policy "tobacco" is defined to include any lit or unlit cigarette, cigar, pipe, bidi, clove cigarette, and any other smoking product, spit tobacco, also know as smokeless, dip, chew, snuff, in any form.

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 and at all school-sponsored events. District acceptance of gifts or funds from the tobacco industry is similarly prohibited.

Tobacco use, distribution or sale by staff and all others is also prohibited in any building, facility, or vehicle owned, leased, rented or chartered by the district, school, or public charter school, including athletic grounds and parking lots.

Violation of this policy will lead to appropriate disciplinary action up to and including expulsion for students. Community or school service may be required. A referral to law enforcement may be made. Parents will be notified of all violations involving their student and subsequent action taken by the school. Information about cessation support and/or tobacco education programs and how students can access these programs will be provided. At the discretion of the building principal, attendance and completion of such programs, or successful completion of a behavior modification plan, may be allowed as a substitute for, or as part of student discipline.

Violation of this policy by non-students may result in the individual's removal from district property. The district reserves the right to restrict access to district property by individuals who are repeat offenders. The superintendent will develop administrative regulations as needed to implement this policy.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 332.107](#)

[ORS 336.222](#)

[ORS 336.227](#)

[ORS 339.240](#)

[ORS 339.250](#)

[ORS 433.835 - 433.990](#)

[OAR 581-021-0050 to -0075](#)

[OAR 581-021-0110](#)

[OAR 581-022-0413](#)

[OAR 581-053-0015](#)

[OAR 581-053-0545\(4\)\(c\)\(R\)-\(T\)](#)

[OAR 581-053-0550\(5\)\(q\)-\(s\)](#)

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

**Cross Reference(s):**

GBK/JFCG/KGC - Tobacco-Free Environment

JFCG/KGC/GBK - Tobacco-Free Environment