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COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Use of Tobacco, or Tobacco-Like Nicotine Products and Delivery Devices on School Property

The board of directors recognizes that to protect students from exposure to the addictive substance of nicotine ~~and to set a smoking-free example for students~~, employees **and officers of the district, students** and all community members, have an obligation as role models to refrain from the use of tobacco and tobacco-like products **and delivery devices** on school district property **at all times**. For the purposes of this policy, “tobacco and tobacco-like products” **and “delivery devices”** shall include, but are not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, snuff, smoking tobacco, smokeless tobacco, ~~liquid nicotine, nicotine delivery devices,~~ electronic ~~cigarettes, smoking/vapor devices,~~ and vapor products, non-prescribed inhalers, **nicotine delivery devices or chemicals that are not FDA-approved to help people quit using tobacco, devices that produce the same flavor or physical effect of nicotine substances** and any other smoking equipment, device, material or innovation. ~~Possession by or distribution of tobacco products to minors is prohibited.~~

Any use of such products and delivery devices by staff, students, visitors and community members will be prohibited on all school district property, including all district buildings, grounds and district-owned vehicles, and within five hundred feet of schools. Possession by or distribution of tobacco products to any person under twenty-one years of age is prohibited. Smoking cigarettes, electronic cigarettes, cigars or any other use of tobacco or tobacco-like products is prohibited on all school district property and within twenty-five feet of all school and district building entrances. This prohibition extends to all schools, district buildings, district property and district-owned vehicles.

The use of Federal Drug Administration (FDA) approved nicotine replacement therapy in the form of a nicotine patch, gum or lozenge is permitted. However, students and employees must follow applicable policies regarding use of medication at school.

Notices advising students, district employees and community members of this policy shall be posted in appropriate locations in all district buildings and at other district facilities as determined by the superintendent **and will be included in the employee and student handbooks**. Employees and students are subject to discipline for violations of this policy. District employees are responsible for the enforcement of this policy.

Cross references:	Board Policy 3200	Student Rights and Responsibilities
	Board Policy 3240	Student Conduct Expectations and Sanctions
	Board Policy 3300	<u>Student Discipline</u>
	Board Policy 3416	Medication at School
	Board Policy 5140	Tobacco or Tobacco-Like Product Use Policy
	Board Policy 5150	Drug-Free Workplace
	Board Policy 5270	Disciplinary Action and Discharge

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Legal References:	RCW 28A.210.260	Public and private schools—Administration of medication—Conditions
	RCW 28A.210.270	Public and private schools—Administration of medication—Immunity from liability—Discontinuance, procedure
	RCW 28A.210.310	Prohibition on use of tobacco products on school property
	RCW 70.155	Tobacco—Access to minors
	RCW 70.160.075	Smoking prohibited within twenty-five feet of public places or places of employment—Application to modify presumptively reasonable minimum distance

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