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INSTRUCTION

Substance Abuse Prevention Program

The board recognizes that the abuse of alcohol, and the use and abuse of controlled, illegal, addictive, or harmful substances, including marijuana (cannabis) and anabolic steroids, is a societal problem and may impair normal development, well-being and academic performance of students. To promote the safety, health and well-being of all students, the board is committed to the development of a substance abuse prevention program which emphasizes tobacco, drug and alcohol use prevention, intervention aftercare support, and necessary corrective actions.

The district shall cooperate with parents/guardians, professional experts, community agencies, law enforcement and others in developing an effective educational program dealing with substance abuse. The program will be age-appropriate and developmentally based for **all students in** all grades. It will address the legal, social and health consequences of drug and alcohol use, provide information about effective techniques for resisting peer pressure to use tobacco, alcohol and other drugs, and provide a strong foundation of protective factors and developmental assets.

The Substance Abuse Prevention Program will:

1. Be concerned with education in all areas of substance abuse.
2. Establish and maintain a comprehensive substance abuse prevention education program through student learning objectives for all grade levels.
3. Provide substance abuse prevention strategies and techniques to appropriate school personnel.
4. Utilize government and private agency services as appropriate.
5. Encourage and support student organizations and activities which foster positive peer influence and asset building.
6. Ensure a climate in which students may seek and receive counseling about substance abuse and related problems.
7. Students who do not accept help to become and remain substance abuse free will face consequences under the district's disciplinary policies.
8. The Substance Abuse Prevention Program will be assessed by the district on a regular basis.

In accordance with state and federal law, students will be informed that compliance with this policy is mandatory.

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To keep students, families, and community members informed about drug abuse issues, the district will make information from the Department of Health that addresses substance use trends, overdose symptoms, and response, and the secure storage of prescription drugs and over-the-counter medications available in accordance with [Board Policy 4130 \(Public Information Program\)](#).

The superintendent or designee is directed to develop and implement procedures to assess the scope of the problem of the use of addictive substances such as alcohol, drugs, and nicotine, and to reduce and/or eliminate the problems associated with the use of alcohol, drugs, and nicotine.

At the conclusion of each year, the district will evaluate the effectiveness of the program.

Cross references:	Board Policy 2151	Interscholastic Athletics/Activities
	Procedure 2334P	Substance Abuse Prevention Program
	Board Policy 3112	Withdrawal Prior to Graduation
	Board Policy 3300	Student Discipline
	Board Policy 4130	Public Information Program
	Board Policy 4131	Confidential Communications

Legal references:	RCW 28A.170.075	Findings—Intent
	RCW 28A.210.310	Prohibition on use of tobacco products on school property
	RCW 69.50.101	Definitions
	RCW 69.51A.060	Crimes—Limitations of chapter
	RCW 28A.230.150	Temperance and Good Citizenship Day—
		Aids in programming—Voter
		registration—Report
	House Bill (HB) 1230	Schools—Public Health Information
	Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act	
	Title 21 Section 811, Controlled Substances Act	

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