

**SUBJECT: SMOKING/TOBACCO USE****School Grounds**

Tobacco use shall not be permitted and no person including students, staff and all visitors shall use tobacco on school grounds or any off-campus school sponsored function or activity at any time. For purposes of this policy, “school grounds” means any building, structure, and surrounding outdoor grounds contained within the District’s preschool, nursery school, elementary or secondary school’s legally defined property boundaries as registered in the County Clerk’s Office; as well as all District vehicles, including vehicles used to transport children or school personnel.

For purposes of this policy, tobacco is defined to include any lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, cigarillo, pipe, bidi, clove cigarette, and any other smoking product, and spit tobacco (smokeless, dip, chew and/or snuff) in any form.

**Posting/Notification of Policy**

In compliance with the New York State Clean Indoor Air Act, the District will prominently post its Smoking/Tobacco Use policy and signs prohibiting **all** forms of tobacco products in District buildings and other appropriate locations; as well as District vehicles, including vehicles used to transport children or school personnel and will supply a copy upon request to any current or prospective employee. The District will inform employees and visitors who smoke on school grounds or any school sponsored activity that they are in violation of the New York State Public Health Law, Education Law, the federal Pro-Children Act of 1994 and District policy.

The District shall also ensure that this policy is communicated to staff, students, parents/guardians, volunteers, and visitors annually in order to orient all persons to the District’s “No Smoking” Policy and environment. This policy is in effect at all times.

**Prohibition of Tobacco Promotional Items/Tobacco Advertising**

Tobacco sale, distribution, and promotional items (e.g., brand names, logos and other identifiers) are prohibited:

- a) On school grounds;
- b) In school vehicles;
- c) At school-sponsored events;
- d) In school publications;
- e) On clothing, shoes, accessories, gear, and school supplies in accordance with the District Code of Conduct and applicable collective bargaining agreements.

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Non-Instructional/Business  
Operations**SUBJECT: SMOKING/TOBACCO USE (Cont'd.)**

This prohibition of tobacco promotional items shall be implemented in accordance with the Code of Conduct and applicable collective bargaining agreements.

In addition, tobacco advertising is also prohibited in all school-sponsored publications and at all school sponsored events.

Referrals and access to community resources and programs to help students and staff overcome tobacco addiction shall be provided to staff and students via school counselor, health services, community agencies, or the NYS Smokers Quitline.

Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act  
20 United States Code (USC) Section 7101 et seq. Pro-Children Act of 2001 and  
20 United States Code (USC) Sections 7181-7184, as amended by the No Child Left  
Behind Act of 2001  
Public Health Law Article 13-E Education Law Sections 409 and 3020-a

NOTE: Refer also to Policies #3280 -- Community Use of School Facilities  
#3410 -- Code of Conduct on School Property  
#7310 -- School Conduct and Discipline  
#7320-- Alcohol, Tobacco, Drugs, and Other Substances  
(Students)  
#8211 -- Prevention Instruction  
*District Code of Conduct on School Property*

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