

**Students – Conduct**

**Tobacco, Alcohol, Drugs**

**Student Smoking and Other Tobacco Use and Possession**

In accordance with the law and to promote the health and well-being of all, the Board of Education prohibits all students from smoking or using tobacco or tobacco products or from using electronic nicotine delivery systems or vapor products (that may or may not include nicotine) anywhere in school buildings and buses, on school grounds, in the vicinity of the school, or at school-sponsored activities.

Tobacco includes, but is not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, snuff, smoking tobacco, or smokeless tobacco. Nicotine includes, but is not limited to, nicotine, nicotine delivery systems or vapor products, chemicals, or devices that produce the same flavor or physical effect of nicotine substances.

**Alcohol and Drugs**

Students may not use, possess, sell, or distribute alcohol or any controlled drug anywhere in school buildings, on school grounds, in the vicinity of the school, or at school-sponsored activities.

Use, possession, sale or distribution of alcohol or controlled drugs in other settings, including private homes, may also be grounds for disciplinary action, at the discretion of the district administration. Unless otherwise required by state statute, such disciplinary action will be progressive, will be accompanied by support and education, will include an appeals process, and will be applied uniformly to participants and members in all student activities.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes:  
10-221(d): Policy statement on drugs  
19a-342: Smoking prohibited  
21a-240: Definitions  
53-198: Smoking in school buses prohibited

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