

TOBACCO USE AND POSSESSION

In order to promote the health and safety of all students and staff and to promote the cleanliness of all facilities, the School Board prohibits smoking and the use of all other tobacco products in school buildings, facilities, and on school buses during school-sponsored events and at all other times on school grounds by all persons, including students and employees.

In addition, students are further prohibited from possessing, selling, distributing, or dispensing tobacco products in school buildings, facilities, and on school grounds and buses during school-sponsored events and at all other times.

Employees and all other persons are strictly prohibited from selling, distributing or dispensing tobacco products to students.

Student violations of this policy shall be addressed in accordance with building-level procedures developed by the Superintendent or his/her designee.

Employees who violate this policy are subject to appropriate discipline (consistent with any collective bargaining agreement, if applicable).

Visitors and others who violate this policy shall be asked to stop the prohibited behavior and may be asked to leave school property.

This policy and any accompanying procedures shall be included in employee and student handbooks.

Legal Reference: 22 MRSA ¶1578-B
Me. PL 470 (An Act to Reduce Tobacco use By Minors)
20 USC ¶ 4301 et seq (Pro-Children Act of 2001)

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