

## **USE OF TOBACCO AND NICOTINE PRODUCTS AND DELIVERY DEVICES**

The board of directors recognizes that to protect students from exposure to the addictive substance of nicotine, employees and officers of the school district, and all members of the community, have an obligation as role models to refrain from use of tobacco products and delivery devices on school property at all times. Tobacco products and delivery devices includes, but are not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, snuff, smoking tobacco, smokeless tobacco, nicotine, electronic smoking/vapor devices and vapor products, “vapor pens,” 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.

Any use of such products and delivery devices by staff, students, visitors and community members will be prohibited on school district property including all district buildings, grounds, and district-owned vehicles, and within 500 feet of schools. Possession by or distribution of tobacco products to minors is prohibited.

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

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| Cross References: | Board Policy 3200                      | Student Rights and Responsibilities  |
|                   | Board Policy 3241                      | Classroom Management, Corrective Actions or Punishments  |
|                   | Board Policy 3416                      | Medication at School   |
|                   | Board Policy 5201<br>Board Policy 5280 | Drug Free Schools, Community and Workplace<br>Termination of Employment                                      |
| Legal References: | RCW 28A.210.310                        | Prohibition on use of tobacco products on school property  |
|                   | RCW 70.155.080                         | Purchasing, obtaining or possessing tobacco by Minors — Civil infraction                                     |
|                   | 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 |
|                   | Chapter 70.155 RCW                     | Tobacco – Access to minors   |

Management Resources:

*Policy and Legal News*, February 2014

Use of Tobacco and Nicotine Substances  
policy updated to address vapor devices

*Policy News*, December 2010

Addressing the Use of “Electronic”  
Cigarettes

*Policy News*, October 2010

Electronic Cigarettes

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