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USE OF TOBACCO

The Board recognizes that the use of tobacco presents a health hazard that can have serious consequences both for the user and the nonuser and is, therefore, of concern to the Board.

For purposes of this policy, use of tobacco shall mean all uses of tobacco, including cigar, cigarette, pipe, snuff, or any other matter or substance that contains tobacco, as well as electronic, "vapor," or other substitute forms of cigarettes.

In order to protect students who choose to use tobacco from an environment that might be harmful to them, the ~~School~~ Board prohibits the use and/or possession of tobacco by students ~~in school buildings, on school grounds, on school buses, or participating in any school-related event~~ at all times within any facility owned or leased or contracted for by the Board. The Board also prohibits the use and/or possession of tobacco anywhere on the campus of any facility owned or leased or contracted for by the Board, including, but not limited to, practice fields, playgrounds, football fields, baseball fields, softball fields, pool areas, soccer fields, tennis courts, and all open areas and will remain in effect at all times. Furthermore, the Board prohibits the use and/or possession of tobacco in all vehicles owned or operated by the Board, including, but not limited to, school buses, special purpose buses, vans, trucks, and cars.

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The administration of each school building will take appropriate action in cases involving students who use **and/or possess** tobacco in violation of this policy.

~~{ } The Superintendent's administrative guidelines shall include a comprehensive plan to communicate the prohibitions set forth in this policy regarding the use of tobacco, as defined herein, by students, staff, parents, vendors and any other individuals in the Corporation's schools, offices, and/or other Corporation facilities, as well as on the grounds of the schools, offices and other Corporation facilities. The plan shall also communicate the prohibitions set forth in this policy regarding the use of tobacco as defined herein by those who drive, or are passengers in, Corporation vehicles of any type.~~

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20 U.S.C. 6081 et seq., 20 U.S.C. 7182