

USE OF TOBACCO AND ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES USE-ON SCHOOL PREMISES

Smoking is prohibited

- in the interior of indoor facilities owned or leased or contracted for and utilized for the provision of regular kindergarten, elementary, or secondary educational or library services to children;
- on every public school bus and all other vehicles used by the division for transporting students, staff, visitors, or other persons; and
- in every indoor facility, or portion of such facility, owned or leased or contracted for and utilized for the provision of regular or routine health care, day care, or early childhood development (Head Start) services.

For purposes of this policy, "smoking" means the carrying or holding of any lighted pipe, cigar, or cigarette of any kind, or any other lighted smoking equipment, or the lighting, inhaling, or exhaling of smoke from a pipe, cigar, or cigarette of any kind.

Each principal shall post signs stating "No Smoking," or containing the international "No Smoking" symbol, consisting of a pictorial representation of a burning cigarette enclosed in a red circle with a bar across it, clearly and conspicuously in every school cafeteria or other dining facility in the school.

Designated Smoking Areas

The School Board may direct the superintendent to issue regulations designating smoking areas on school grounds outside buildings.

Electronic Cigarettes

Students are prohibited from possessing electronic cigarettes on school buses, on school premises and at school-sponsored activities.

All other persons are prohibited from using electronic cigarettes on school premises and school vehicles.

The use of all tobacco products, including cigarettes, cigars, pipes, chewing tobacco, and snuff, is prohibited anywhere on school property, including school parking lots, athletic fields, etc. and in vehicles owned, rented, or leased by the Albemarle County Public Schools. This prohibition includes the use of tobacco products at outside activities such as sporting events. This prohibition shall apply at all times, day or night, and shall apply to all students, employees, visitors, volunteers, or other persons. The administrator in charge of each building within the division shall make this policy known to anyone using the building and/or grounds.

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Legal Ref.: 20 U.S.C. §§ 6083 and 7183
Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§ 15.2-2800, 15.2-2824, 15.2-2827, 22.1-78, 22.1-79.5, 22.1-279.6 et seq.

Cross Ref: GBEC, Tobacco-Free School And Grounds For Students, Staff, And Community
JFCH, Tobacco-Free School And Grounds For Students, Staff, And Community
GBEAC, Electronic Cigarettes
KG, Community Use of School Facilities
KGB, Public Conduct on School Property