

TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOL AND GROUNDS FOR STUDENTS, STAFF, AND COMMUNITY

Smoking, chewing or any other use of any tobacco products by staff, students, and visitors is prohibited on school property.

For purposes of this policy,

1. “School property” means:

a. All interior portions of any building or other structure used for instruction, administration, support services, maintenance or storage.

b. ny indoor facility or portion of such facility owned or leased or contracted for and used for the provision of regular or routine health care, day care, or early childhood development (Head Start) services;

c. All vehicles used by the division for transporting students, staff, visitors or other persons.

2. “Tobacco” includes cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco and all other kinds and forms of tobacco prepared in such manner as to be suitable for chewing, smoking or both. “Tobacco” includes cloves or any other product packaged for smoking.

3. “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.

This policy shall be published in student and employee handbooks, posted on bulletin boards and announced in meetings.

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 and other dining facility in the school.

Staff and students found to be in violation of this policy shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

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.

~~Smoking, chewing or any other use of any tobacco products by students, staff and community members is prohibited on all school property.~~

~~For purposes of this policy, the following definitions shall apply:~~

- ~~1. “School property” means all property owned, leased, rented or otherwise used ——— by a school including but not limited to the following:~~
 - ~~a. All interior portions of any building or other structure used for instruction, administration, support services, maintenance or storage.~~
 - ~~b. All vehicles used by the division for transporting students, staff, visitors or other persons.~~
- ~~2. “Tobacco” includes cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco and all other kinds and forms of tobacco prepared in such manner as to be suitable for chewing, smoking or both. “Tobacco” includes cloves or any other product packaged for smoking.~~
- ~~3. “Use” includes but is not limited to lighting, chewing, inhaling or smoking any tobacco product.~~
- ~~4. “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.~~

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Legal Ref.: 20 U.S.C. § 6083, ~~(Federal law prohibits smoking in any indoor facility used to provide educational services to children), and §~~7183
 Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§15.2-28~~20, 15.2-2824, 15.2-2825, 15.2-2827, 22.1-79.5, 22.1-279.6 00 et seq.~~

Cross Ref.: GBECA, Electronic Cigarettes
JFCH, Tobacco-Free School and Grounds for Students, Staff and Community
KG, Community Use of School Facilities
 KGC, Use of Tobacco and Electronic Cigarettes on School Premises ~~Smoking on School Premises at Public Functions~~
~~GBC, Standards of Conduct~~