

CONNELLSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS
TITLE: TOBACCO USE
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222. TOBACCO USE	
<p>1. Purpose</p>	<p>The Board recognizes that tobacco use by students presents a health and safety hazard that can have serious consequences for both users and nonusers and the safety and environment of the schools.</p>
<p>2. Definition 18 Pa. C.S.A. —Sec. 6306.1 <u>35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5</u></p>	<p>For purposes of this policy, tobacco use shall be defined as use and/or possession of includes a lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar and pipe; other lighted smoking product; and smokeless tobacco in any form.</p> <p>The Board prohibits tobacco use and possession, <u>use or sale of tobacco</u> by students at any time in a school building and on any property, buses, vans and vehicles that are owned, leased or controlled by the school district.</p> <p>The Board prohibits tobacco use and possession, <u>use or sale of tobacco</u> by students at school-sponsored activities that are held off school property.</p>
<p>3. Authority <u>18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6305</u> 35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7181-7183<u>et</u> <u>seq</u> <u>Title 22 Sec. 1023</u> <u>20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq</u> <u>Pol. 103.1, 113.1, 113.2, 805.1</u></p>	<p><u>In the case of a student with a disability, including a student for whom an evaluation is pending, the district shall take all steps required to comply with state and federal laws and regulations, the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement and Board policies.</u></p>
<p>18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6306.1</p>	<p>The school district may initiate prosecution of a student who possesses or uses tobacco in violation of this policy.</p>
<p>4. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p>The Superintendent or designee shall annually notify students, parents/guardians and staff about the district's tobacco use policy by publishing such policy in the student handbook, parent newsletters, posted notices, and other efficient methods.</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures to implement this policy.</p>

<p><u>5. Guidelines</u> <u>SC 1302.1-A</u> <u>1303-A</u> <u>Title 22</u> <u>Sec. 10.2, 10.22</u> <u>Pol. 805.1</u></p>	<p><u>The Superintendent or designee may report incidents of possession, use or sale of tobacco by students on school property, at any school-sponsored activity or on a conveyance providing transportation to or from a school or school-sponsored activity to the local police department that has jurisdiction over the school's property, in accordance with state law and regulations, the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement and Board policies.</u></p>
<p><u>Title 22</u> <u>Sec. 10.2, 10.25</u> <u>Pol. 805.1</u></p>	<p><u>The Superintendent or designee shall notify the parent/guardian of any student directly involved in an incident involving possession, use or sale of tobacco immediately, as soon as practicable. The Superintendent or designee shall inform the parent/guardian whether or not the local police department that has jurisdiction over the school property has been or may be notified of the incident. The Superintendent or designee shall document attempts made to reach the parent/guardian.</u></p>
<p>SC 1303-A <u>Pol. 805.1</u></p>	<p>The Superintendent shall annually, by July 31, report <u>all</u> incidents of possession, use or sale of tobacco <u>by students</u> in violation of this policy by any person on school property shall be reported to the Office of <u>for</u> Safe Schools on the required form in accordance with state law and regulation.</p>
<p>Pol. 233</p>	<p>A student who violates this policy may also be suspended at the discretion of the building administration.</p>
<p>5. Guidelines 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6306.1</p>	<p>A student convicted of possessing or using tobacco in violation of this policy may be fined up to \$50 plus court costs or admitted to alternative adjudication in lieu of imposition of a fine.</p>
	<p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 510, <u>1302.1-A</u>, 1303-A</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. <u>10.2, 10.22, 10.23, 10.25, 403-1</u></p> <p><u>Sale of Tobacco – 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6305</u></p> <p>Tobacco Use Prohibition – 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6306.1</p> <p>School Tobacco Control – 35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5</p> <p><u>Individuals With Disabilities Education Act – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq.</u></p>

No Child Left Behind Act – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7114

Pro-Children Act of 2001 – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7181 et seq.

Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, Title 34, Code of Federal Regulations – 34 CFR Part 300

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