



**Boulder Valley School District**  
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## **TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS**

To promote the general health, welfare and well-being of students, staff, families and visitors, smoking, chewing or any other use of any tobacco or nicotine product by staff, students and members of the public is prohibited on all school property.

Possession of any tobacco or nicotine product by students is also prohibited on school property.

For purposes of this policy, the following definitions apply:

1. "School property" means all property owned, leased, rented or otherwise used or contracted for by a school including but not limited to the following:
  - a. All indoor facilities and interior portions of any building or other structure used for instruction, educational or library services, routine health care, daycare or early childhood development services, as well as for administration, support services, maintenance or storage. The term does not apply to buildings used primarily as residences, i.e., teacherages.
  - b. All school grounds over which the school exercises control including areas surrounding any building, playgrounds, athletic fields, recreation areas and parking areas.
  - c. All vehicles used by the district for transporting students, staff, visitors or other persons.
  - d. At a school sanctioned activity or event held off campus.
  - e. "School property" is not intended to prohibit staff from utilizing areas of a facility where smoking is permitted if they are (1) attending a professional meeting or event, not supervising students, and on a break; or (2) off-duty and attending an off-campus school sanctioned activity or event that is open to the public.

2. "Tobacco or nicotine product" means:

- a. Any product that contains nicotine or tobacco or is derived from tobacco and is intended to be ingested or inhaled by or applied to the skin of an individual, including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, snuff and chewing tobacco; and
- b. Any electronic device that can be used to deliver nicotine to the person inhaling from the device, including but not limited to an electronic cigarette, cigar, cigarillo or pipe.
- c. "Tobacco or nicotine product" does not include any product that has been approved by the appropriate federal agency as a tobacco use cessation product.

3. "Use" means lighting, chewing, smoking, ingesting or application of any tobacco product.

Signs will be posted in prominent places on all school property to notify the public that smoking or other use of tobacco products is prohibited in accordance with state law and district policy. This policy will be published in all employee and student handbooks, posted on bulletin boards and announced in staff meetings.

Any member of the general public considered by the Superintendent or designee to be in violation of this policy will be instructed to leave school district property. Employees found to be in violation of this policy will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

Disciplinary measures for students who violate this policy may include in-school detention, revocation of privileges and exclusion from extracurricular activities. Repeated violations may result in suspension from school. In accordance with state law, no student will be expelled solely for tobacco use.

LEGAL REFS.:           20 U.S.C. 7181 *et seq.* (*prohibits smoking in any indoor facility used to provide educational services to children*)  
C.R.S. [18-13-121](#) (*furnishing tobacco products to minors*)  
C.R.S. [22-32-109](#) (1)(bb) (*policy required prohibiting use of tobacco products on school grounds*)  
C.R.S. [22-32-109.1](#) (2)(a)(I)(H) (*policy required as part of safe schools plan*)  
C.R.S. [25-14-103.5](#) (*tobacco use prohibited on school property*)  
C.R.S. [25-14-301](#) (*Teen Tobacco Use Prevention Act*)

CROSS REFS.:           IGAG Teaching About Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs  
JGD-JGE Student Suspension/Expulsion  
KF-R Community Use of School Facilities

KFA Public Conduct on District Property  
KHB Sponsorships