USE OF TOBACCO, NICOTINE PRODUCTS AND DELIVERY DEVICES

The board of directors recognizes that to protect students from exposure to the addictive substance of nicotine, employees and officers of the school district, and all members of the community, have an obligation as role models to refrain from use of tobacco products and delivery devices on school property at all times. Tobacco products and delivery devices include, but are not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, snuff, smoking tobacco, smokeless tobacco, nicotine, electronic smoking/vapor devices and vapor products, non-prescribed inhalers, nicotine delivery devices and ~~or~~ chemicals that are not FDA-approved to help people quit using tobacco, devices that produce the same flavor or physical effect of nicotine substances and any other smoking equipment, device, material or innovation.

Any use of such products and delivery devices by staff, students, visitors and community members will be prohibited on all school district property, including all district buildings, grounds and district-owned vehicles, and within five hundred feet of schools. Possession by or distribution of tobacco products to any person under twenty-one years of age is prohibited.

The use of Federal Drug Administration (FDA) approved nicotine replacement therapy in the form of a nicotine patch, gum or lozenge is permitted. However, students and employees must follow applicable policies regarding use of medication at school.

Notices advising students, district employees and community members of this policy will be posted in appropriate locations in all district buildings and at other district facilities as determined by the superintendent and will be included in the employee and student handbooks. Employees and students are subject to discipline for violations of this policy. School district employees are responsible for the enforcement of the policy.

Cross References:	3200 - Rights and Responsibilities 3241 - Student Discipline 3416 - Medication at School 5201 - Drug-Free Schools, Community, and Workplace 5280 - Separation from Employment
Legal References:	RCW 28A.210.260 Public and private schools — Administration of medication — Conditions. RCW 28A.210.270 Public and private schools — Administration of medication — Immunity from liability — Discontinuance, procedure.

RCW 28A.210.310 Prohibition on use of tobacco products on school property

Chapter 70.155, RCW Tobacco – Access to Minors

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