

DARIEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Darien, Connecticut

SERIES 1000: COMMUNITY/BOARD OPERATION
POLICY 1175

PROHIBITION AGAINST SMOKING

The Darien Board of Education (the "Board") prohibits smoking, including smoking using an electronic nicotine delivery system (e.g. e-cigarettes), electronic cannabis delivery system or vapor product, within any of its schools, including in any area of a school building, including but not limited to any indoor facility owned or leased or contracted for and utilized by the Board for the provision of routine or regular preschool, kindergarten, elementary or secondary education or library services to children or on the grounds of such school or at any school-sponsored activity on the real property of any school or administrative office building or at any school-sponsored activity.

The Board further prohibits smoking including smoking using an electronic nicotine delivery system (e.g., e-cigarettes), electronic cannabis delivery system, or vapor product on the real property of any administrative office building. Real property means the land and all temporary and permanent structures comprising the district's administrative office building(s) and includes, but is not limited to storage facilities and parking lots.

The following definitions shall apply to this policy:

"Any area" shall mean the interior of a school building and the outside area within twenty-five feet of any doorway, operable window or air intake vent of a school building.

"Cannabis" shall mean marijuana, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 21a-240.

"Electronic Nicotine Delivery System" shall mean an electronic device used in the delivery of nicotine to a person inhaling from the device and includes, but is not limited to, an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe or electronic hookah and any related device and any cartridge or other component of such device including but not limited to electronic cigarette liquid or synthetic nicotine..

"School-Sponsored Activity " shall mean any activity sponsored, recognized or authorized by the Board n and includes activities conducted on or off school property."

"Smoke" or "smoking" shall mean the burning of a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or any other similar device, whether containing, wholly or in part, tobacco, cannabis or hemp.

"Vapor product" shall mean any product that employs a heating element, power source, electronic circuit or other electronic, chemical or mechanical means, regardless of shape or size, to produce a vapor that may or may not include nicotine or cannabis and is inhaled by the user of such product

Legal References:

Pro-Children Act of 2001, Pub. L. 107-110, 115 Stat. 1174, 20 U.S.C. § 7183

Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-233a(h)

Conn. Gen. Stat. § 19a-342

Conn. Gen. Stat. § 19a-342a

Conn. Gen. Stat. § 21a-415

Conn. Gen. Stat. § 53-344b

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