No. 227

A. W. BEATTIE CAREER CENTER

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES/

PARAPHERNALIA

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227. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES/PARAPHERNALIA

1. Purpose

The Joint Operating Committee (JOC) recognizes that the abuse of controlled substances is a serious problem with legal, physical and social implications for the whole school community. As an educational institution, the school, the schools shall strive to prevent abuse of controlled substances.

2. Definitions35 P.S.Sec. 780-10221 U.S.C.Sec. 812

For purposes of this policy, **controlled substances** shall include all:

- 1. Controlled substances prohibited by federal and state law.
- 2. Look-alike drugs.
- 3. Alcoholic beverages.
- 4. Anabolic steroids.
- 5. Drug paraphernalia.
- 6. Any volatile solvents or inhalants, such as but not limited to glue and aerosol products.

Pol. 210

7. Prescription or patent drugs, except those for which permission for use in school has been granted pursuant to JOC policy.

For purposes of this policy, **under the influence** shall include any consumption or ingestion of controlled substances by a student.

3. Authority SC 510, 511 Title 22 Sec. 12.3 The JOC prohibits students from using, possessing, distributing, and being under the influence of any controlled substances during school hours, at any time while on school property, at any school-sponsored activity, and during the time spent traveling to and from school and school-sponsored activities.

The JOC may require participation in drug counseling, rehabilitation, testing or other programs as a condition of reinstatement into the Career Center's educational or extracurricular programs resulting from violations of this policy.

Off Campus Activities

Pol. 218

This policy shall also apply to student conduct that occurs off school property and would violate the Discipline Code if:

- Pol. 122, 123
- student's attendance at school or school-sponsored activities.

There is a nexus between the proximity or timing of the conduct in relation to the

The student is a member of an extracurricular activity and has been notified that particular off-campus conduct could result in exclusion from such activities.

- 3. Student expression or conduct materially and substantially disrupts the operations of the school, or the administration reasonably anticipates that the expression or conduct is likely to materially and substantially disrupt the operations of the school.
- 4. The conduct involves the theft or vandalism of school property.

4. Delegation of Responsibility

The Executive Director or designee shall develop administrative regulations to identify the control substance abuse in the Career Center.

42 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 8337 Pol. 218, 233

- 1. Establish procedures to deal with students suspected of using, possessing, being under influence, or distributing controlled substances in school, up to and including expulsion and referral for prosecution.
- 2. Disseminate to students, parents/guardians and staff the JOC policy and administrative regulations governing student abuse of controlled substances.
- 3. Establish procedures for education and readmission to school of students convicted of offenses involving controlled substances.

SC 1303-A

Incidents of possession, use and sale of controlled substances by any person on school property shall be reported to the Office of Safe Schools on the required form at least once per year.

5. Guidelines

A. W. Beattie Career Center will coordinate with consortium school, provide for community and family involvement and provide a Student Assistance Program.

Violations of this policy include the possession, use, sale, distribution, or mimicking the possession use, sale or distribution of controlled substances as defined in the policy. Consequences for violations shall be defined in the JOC-approved Discipline Code and may result in permanent expulsion from the Career Center.

In all cases involving students and controlled substances, the need to protect the school community from undue harm and exposure to drugs shall be recognized.

No student may be admitted to a program that seeks to identify and rehabilitate the potential abuser without the intelligent, voluntary and aware consent of the student and parent/guardian.

Reasonable Suspicion/Testing

If based on the student's behavior, medical symptoms, vital signs or other observable factors, the building principal has reasonable suspicion that the student is under the influence of a controlled substance, the student may be required to submit to drug or alcohol testing. The testing may include but is not limited to the analysis of blood, urine, saliva, or the administration of a Breathalyzer test.

References:

School Code - 24 P.S. Sec. 510, 511, 1303-A

State Board of Education Regulations - 22 PA Code Sec. 12.3, 403.1

PA Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act - 35 P.S. Sec. 780-101 et seq.

PA Civil Immunity of School Officers/Employees Relating to Drug or Alcohol Abuse - 42 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 8337

No Child Left Behind Act - 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7114, 7161

Controlled Substances Act - 21 U.S.C. Sec. 801 et seq.

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