

In compliance with the Georgia Smoke Free Air Act of 2005 (O.C.G.A. 31-12a-1 *et seq.*) and the Federal Pro-Children's Act of 2001 (42 U.S.A. 7181 *et seq.*) smoking and use of other tobacco products will be prohibited in any school or other facility in the School District. In addition, students, staff and visitors will not be permitted to smoke or use tobacco products on school grounds, at any school sponsored activity or event, on any school bus, or in any School District vehicle, including events before or after school or on weekends.

Tobacco products are defined to include cigarettes, electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes), vape pens, candy cigarettes, chewing tobacco, blunts, blunt wraps, cigars, cigarillos, bidis, pipes, cigarette packages or smokeless tobacco containers, lighters, ash trays, key chains, t-shirts, coffee mugs and any other items containing or reasonably resembling tobacco or tobacco products. Tobacco use includes smoking, chewing, dipping or any other use of tobacco products.

School District employees who violate this policy may be subject to appropriate disciplinary action, including reprimand, suspension with or without pay or termination. Students who violate this policy may be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with Board Policy and the Student Code of Conduct.

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**Cherokee County Board of Education**