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## **Purpose**

The Board recognizes that the use of tobacco, electronic cigarettes and other tobacco-related devices presents a health and safety hazard that can have serious consequences for the user and the nonuser, and degrades the safety of the schools environment.

## **Definition**

**Tobacco** means any product containing, made, or derived from tobacco intended for human consumption, whether chewed, smoked, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, snorted, sniffed, or ingested by any other means. Examples include but are not limited to cigarettes, cigars, little cigars, dry snuff, moist snuff/chewing tobacco, snus, dissolvables, hookah, blunt wraps, and any oil or liquid/solid substance that produces the same physical manifestations that tobacco/smokeless tobacco/nicotine produces.

**Electronic Cigarette** means any oral device that provides a vapor of liquid nicotine, lobelia, and/or other substance, and the use or inhalation of which simulates smoking. The term shall include any such devices, whether they are manufactured, distributed, marketed or sold as ecigarettes, e-cigars, e-pipes, or under any other product name or descriptor.

**Tobacco related device** means ashtrays, cigarette papers or pipes for smoking or any components, parts, or accessories of electronic cigarettes, including cartridges.

School property means all facilities and property, including land, whether owned,

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rented, or leased by Northern York County School District, and all vehicles owned, leased, rented, contracted for, or controlled by Northern York County School District for use in transporting students, staff, or visitors.

For purposes of this policy, **tobacco** includes a lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, pipe or other smoking product or material and smokeless tobacco in any form.[1]

## **Authority**

The Board prohibits the use of tobacco products, electronic cigarettes and other tobaccorelated devices use by administrative, professional and classified employees on school property.
in a school building and on any property, buses, vans and vehicles that are owned, leased or
controlled by the school district.[1][2]

The district shall annually notify employees about the Board's policy pertaining to the use of tobacco, electronic cigarettes and other tobacco-related devices tobacco policy by distributing it through handbooks, newsletters, posted notices, and other efficient methods.[1]

## **Guidelines**

The Superintendent or designee may report incidents involving the sale of tobacco to minors by employees on school property, at any school sponsored activity or on a conveyance providing transportation to or from a school or school sponsored activity to the local police department that has jurisdiction over the school's property, in accordance with state law and regulations, the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement and Board policies.[3][5][6][8][9][10]

In accordance with state law, the Superintendent shall annually, by July 31, report incidents of possession, use or sale of tobacco on school property to the Office for Safe Schools on the required form.[9][8]

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