

BRISTOL WARREN REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

BREATHALYZER POLICY

The Bristol Warren Regional School District has established this policy to provide an alcohol free environment at after school activities for its students, staff and the community at large.

The purpose of this policy is to:

1. Prohibit the possession, use and consumption of alcoholic beverages by students and guests.
2. Clearly state that students and guests under the influence of alcohol will not be allowed to participate in after school events.
3. Protect the environment for students, guests and staff who wish to enjoy after school events.
4. Help ensure the safety of all students, guests and staff who attend after school events.
5. Involve the community in confronting the problem.

GENERAL PROCEDURES:

1. The Superintendent (or his or her appointed designee) shall determine the need for breathalyzer machines at various after school events.
2. Students and guests may be tested prior to admittance to and/or during the after school event.
3. All tests will be conducted by certified machine operators.
4. All machines must have been recently tested and calibrated to ensure accuracy.
5. All individual students and guests shall have a private place to take the test.
6. All students and guests who fail to pass or refuse to take the breathalyzer will be denied admittance into the after school event.
7. The Administration will impose a social penalty for failure of the breathalyzer.

For any after school event in which a breathalyzer is used, the Administration will develop a procedure to ensure that any students or guests who may fail the breathalyzer in reference to our zero tolerance policy is returned home or to a safe environment. The Administration shall also inform the student's parent or legal guardian of the failure.

*Students and guests who fail to pass or refuse to take a breathalyzer under the terms and conditions of this policy shall be subject to the sanctions set forth in Policy JFCH.

ADOPTED: March 28, 2005