

RSU #63

- a. **NEPN/NSBA Code:** JICH-R
- b. **Title:** Drug & Alcohol Use by Students-Administrative Procedures
- c. **Author:**
- d. **Replaces Policy:** NEW
- e. **Date Approved:** 09/25/2017
- f. **Previously Approved:** NEW
- g. **Policy Expiration:** Review as Needed
- h. **Responsible Review:** Superintendent/Principals/
Policy Committee
- i. **Date Reviewed:** 09/12/2017 Superintendent
08/28/2017 Principals
09/12/2017 Policy Committee
- j. **References:**
 - Legal Reference:** 21USC § (Controlled Substances Act)
21 CFR Part 1300. 11-15
P.L. 101-226 (Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments of 1989)
17-A MRSA § 1001
22 MRSA §§ 2390-2394
42 USC § 290dd-2
42 CFR § 2.1 et seq.
20-A MRSA §§ 1001(9); 4008
 - Cross Reference:** GBEC-Drug-Free Workplace
JICIA – Weapons, Violence, and School Safety
JKD-Expulsion of Students
JLCD-Administering Medication to Students
JRA-Student Education Records
JICH-Drug & Alcohol Use by Students
- k. **Narrative:**

I. Disciplinary Action:

- A. Principals may suspend and/or recommend expulsion of students who violate this policy, based upon the facts of each case and in accordance with established disciplinary procedures. Students may also be referred to law enforcement authorities for investigation and/or prosecution.
- B. If a staff member has reason to suspect any student of possession, use, or selling a prohibited substance to another person, he/she will:
 - 1. Take whatever immediate action may be necessary to secure the health and safety of the student(s),
 - 2. Report the student immediately to the proper administrator,

3. If possible, using appropriate search and seizure procedures, obtain the alleged prohibited substance(s). The building administrator must approve interdiction or search.

II. Administration:

A. First and Second Offenses:

The administrator will:

1. Confiscate or isolate the substance and attempt to verify the substance is prohibited,
2. Meet with the student,
3. Notify parent/guardian and the Superintendent or his/her designee (and law enforcement personnel when the Superintendent deems it necessary),
4. Meet with and/or refer the student to school counselor(s), school nurse, and/or chemical abuse counselor(s) if available,
5. Recommend referral to appropriate educational support group(s),
6. Recommend at least one of the parents/guardians attend an educational substance support group meeting with the student,

Disciplinary action: Suspension for up to 10 days at the discretion of the Superintendent.

B. Third and subsequent offense(s):

Same as first offense as noted in Section III (A) items 1-6.

Disciplinary action: Expulsion from school for up to one year from the date of expulsion decision by the Board of Directors.