Liberty Union High School District

Administrative Regulation

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Students shall receive instruction by appropriately trained instructors on drug education and the effects of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs including dangerous drugs defined by health and safety Code 10032. Parent education and/or opportunities for school involvement shall be offered at all schools.

The District shall determine that drug education instructors are appropriately trained, having demonstrated that they possess:

1. The ability to interact with students in a positive way.

2. Knowledge of the properties and effects of tobacco, alcohol, narcotics, dangerous drugs, and shared drug apparatus.

3. Effective teaching skills and competency in helping students to express opinions responsibly and to become aware of their value as they affect drug-use decisions.

In grades 9 through 12, instruction in drug education shall be conducted in health courses and in any other appropriate area of study required by Education 51220.

Instruction shall be sequential in nature and suited to meet the needs of students at their respective grade level. All instruction and related materials shall stress the concept of “no unlawful use” of tobacco, alcohol, or other drugs.

The district drug education program shall consider incorporation of county drug education services into district programs as appropriate and/or needed.

Drugs and Alcohol

Enforcement/Discipline of Violations

The principal or designee shall notify the appropriate law enforcement authority of any student act which may involve possession, sale of narcotics or a controlled substance, or pretense, thereof. The principal or designee also may, before the student’s suspension or expulsion, notify authorities of acts involving the possession, use of sale of alcohol or an intoxicant of any kind. The principal or designee incurs no liability as a result of this report unless a false report is made and was known to be false or was made with reckless disregard for truth or falsity. Vehicle Code 12302.5 known to be false or was made with reckless disregard for truth or falsity. Vehicle Code 12302.5 mandates a one-year suspension or delay of driving privileges for persons aged 13 to 21 who are convicted of using or selling alcohol or other illegal drugs. Violations of this policy can only be convicted of using or selling alcohol or other illegal drugs. Violations of this policy can only be accumulated over one school year. Disciplinary action will be applied across school years.

Pretense, Possession, or Use of Alcohol and/or Illegal Drugs - First Violation

When any student uses, possesses or pretend to use/possess illegal drugs at school or while under school jurisdiction, the following shall result:

1. Parent/guardian contact

2. Contact law enforcement authority

3. Five day suspension with the possibility of reduction to three days with parental involvement in the student's drug/alcohol abuse assessment.

4. Restriction from extracurricular school activities during period of suspension.

5. Referral to on-campus substance use/abuse support group.

In addition the following action may be taken:

1. Parental involvement in student's drug/alcohol abuse assessment by a state licensed agency. A suggested list of agencies/services will be provided by the district to the student/parent.

2. Recommendation for expulsion.

3. Referral to an appropriate community counseling program with the expectation that at least one counseling session will be held during the time of suspension.

Selling or Providing Alcohol, Drugs, or Drug Imitation Substances

When a student sells or provides alcohol, other drugs, drug imitation substances, or drug paraphernalia at school or while under school jurisdiction, the following shall result:

1. Parent/guardian contact.

2. Suspension with recommendation of expulsion.

3. Law enforcement contact.

Staff shall notify the principal or designee immediately upon suspecting a student is selling or providing alcohol, other rugs, drug imitation substances, or drug paraphernalia. The principal or designee may notify law enforcement prior to confronting or searching the student.

A search for drugs may be made in accordance with the provisions of law, Board policy, and administrative regulations.

When there is good evidence that a student has actually sold or provided alcohol, other drugs, drug imitation substances, or drug paraphernalia on or about the school premises or at school-sponsored functions, law enforcement must be notified. Law enforcement authorities will make the legal determination whether they or the school will notify the parent/guardian.

Beepers

Because electronic signaling devices (beepers) may be used to facilitate illegal drug transactions, the possession or use of such devices by students is prohibited on school premises, at all school-sponsored activities, and at any time while students are under the supervision and control of district employees. An exception shall be made only when the principal or designee has determined that the beeper is essential for health purposes. Any beeper so allowed shall be used only for health purposes. (Education Code 48901.5)

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Tobacco

Any violation of this policy relative to tobacco use by students shall be referred to a site administrator. Students who violate the provisions of the policy shall be subject to the following disciplinary procedures;

First violation: A verbal warning

Second violation: Parent contact and one day in-school detention

Third violation: One day suspension

Further violations may result in increased suspension, up to three days.

In lieu of in-school detention, the student may be referred to participate in smoking cessation workshops.