

**ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES OF THE  
MILWAUKEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

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**ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY 7.08  
TEACHING ABOUT DRUGS, ALCOHOL, AND TOBACCO**

(1) The Board endorses and supports a strong program of drug and alcohol abuse prevention and intervention as part of a comprehensive health curriculum.

(2) The elements of the drug and alcohol abuse prevention and intervention program shall include:

- (a) preparation of all students to understand and cope with the use of drugs and alcohol;
- (b) emphasis on effective education to help students identify their needs, assess their problems, develop alternatives to drugs and alcohol, and improve their self-concepts;
- (c) a major focus on prevention for the elementary-age child and parent;
- (d) incorporation of preventive programs in existing school curriculum, wherever possible;
- (e) an intervention approach involving students, parents, school staffs, and members of community agencies;
- (f) activities to promote the support and involvement of parents within all phases of the program to deter drug and alcohol abuse;
- (g) inservice activities with the goal of informing, involving, and training all levels of staff in prevention, intervention, and enforcement policies, procedures, and techniques;
- (h) utilization of the resources and expertise of the appropriate community and social service agencies in the drug and alcohol prevention, intervention, and enforcement program.

(3) Existing individual school-community advisory committees, composed of staff, students, parents, and interested agency representatives, shall review drug-related programs and activities within the school as part of their advisory function. The city-wide advisory committee on drug and alcohol abuse shall evaluate the results and effectiveness of the program and make recommendations for changes as needed.

(4) Each school shall establish a drug resource team, consisting of the supportive services staff (counselors, social workers, psychologists), other interested staff members on a volunteer basis, as well as students, parents, and other interested members of the community. These teams shall assist the school system's drug resource coordinator in the development of the program in their respective buildings.

(5) The superintendent is authorized to seek the commitment of human and fiscal resources from individuals, agencies, and foundations for full implementation of this policy.

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