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## **Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco Prevention, Health Education**

Students have a right to attend school in an environment conducive to learning. Since student drug, alcohol and tobacco use is illegal and harmful and interferes with both effective learning and the healthy development of students, the school has a fundamental legal and ethical obligation to prevent unlawful drug, alcohol and tobacco use and to maintain a drug-free educational environment.

After consulting with parents, teachers, school administrators, local community agencies and persons from the drug, alcohol or health service community who are knowledgeable of the latest research information, the Board will adopt a written plan for a drug, alcohol and tobacco prevention and intervention program.

## **Drug Prevention Program**

The district's drug, alcohol and tobacco curriculum will be age-appropriate, reviewed annually and updated as necessary to reflect current research and Oregon's Health Education Academic Content Standards.

Drug, alcohol and tobacco prevention instruction will be integrated in the district's health education courses for grades K-12. Students not enrolled in health education shall receive such instruction through other designated courses. At least annually, all high school students, grade 9-12, shall receive instruction about drug and alcohol prevention. Instruction shall minimally meet the requirements set forth in Oregon Administrative Rules.

The district will include information regarding the district's intervention and referral procedures, including those for drug-related medical emergencies in student/parent and staff handbooks.

Intervention is defined as the identification and referral of students whose behavior is interfering with their potential success socially, emotionally, physiologically, and/or legally as a result of prohibited drug, alcohol and/or tobacco use.

Any staff member who has reason to suspect a student is in possession of, or under the influence of unlawful drugs, alcohol, other intoxicants or tobacco on district property, on a school bus or while participating in any district-sponsored activity, whether on district property or at sites off district property, will escort the student to the office or designated area and will report the information to the building principal or their designated representative.

The building principal or designee will:

- 1. Call law enforcement if deemed appropriate;
- 2. Call the parents for a meeting;
- 3. Discuss the incident with student, parents if available and police if contacted;
- 4. Impose the penalty for violations using due process procedures;
- 5. Tell parents about resources which offer treatment or assistance for young people suffering from drug-, alcoholor tobacco-related problems.

Students possessing, using and/or selling unlawful drugs, including drug paraphernalia, alcohol and tobacco on district property, in district vehicles, at district-sponsored activities on or off district grounds shall be subject to discipline up to and including expulsion. When considering disciplinary action for a child with disabilities, the district must follow the requirements of Board policy JGDA - Discipline of Disabled Students including those involving

functional behavioral assessment, change or placement, manifestation determination and an interim alternative educational setting. Students may also be referred to law enforcement officials.

Each year the administration will meet with law enforcement officials to discuss:

- 1. Who the school should call for suspected violations of the law or other needs;
- 2. How school representatives should handle evidence of a suspected offense (i.e., school staff should not taste a substance to ascertain whether or not it is a drug). What about fingerprints? Paraphernalia?
- 3. What questioning procedures may take place on district property?
- 4. Other needs of the district and law enforcement to avoid conflicts or confusion before a substance-related incident occurs.

In general, drug-related medical emergencies will be handled like a serious accident or illness. Immediate notification of the community emergency care unit is required. Trained staff members will assist the student in any way possible. Parents shall be contacted immediately. A staff member shall be designated to accompany the student to the hospital or emergency medical facility. Procedures to be taken, including those for students participating in district-sponsored activities off district grounds, shall be included in the district's comprehensive first aid/emergency plan.

The district will actively seek funds from outside sources either independently or through coordinated efforts with other districts, community agencies or the education service district for drug-free schools grants.

A planned staff development program that includes current drug, alcohol and tobacco prevention education, an explanation of the district's plan and staff responsibilities within that plan will be developed by the superintendent. The input of staff, parents and the community is encouraged to ensure a staff development program that best meets the needs of district students.

The district will develop a public information plan for students, staff and parents.

The district's Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco Prevention, Health Education policy, related board policies, rules and procedures will be reviewed annually and updated as needed.

## **END OF POLICY**

## Legal Reference(s):

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ORS 163.575	OAR 581-015-2060	OAR 581-015-2420
ORS 336.067	OAR 581-015-2070	OAR 581-015-2425
ORS 336.222	OAR 581-015-2075	OAR 581-015-2430
ORS 339.873	OAR 581-015-2205	OAR 581-015-2435
ORS Chapter 475	OAR 581-015-2220	OAR 581-015-2440
OAR 581-011-0052	OAR 581-015-2225	OAR 581-015-2600
OAR 581-015-2000	OAR 581-015-2230	OAR 581-015-2605
OAR 581-015-2040	OAR 581-015-2235	OAR 581-021-0050
OAR 581-015-2045	OAR 581-015-2240	OAR 581-021-0055
OAR 581-015-2050	OAR 581-015-2325	OAR 581-022-0413
OAR 581-015-2055	OAR 581-015-2410	OAR 581-022-1210
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Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, 41 U.S.C. §§ 701-707 (2006); General Principles Relating to Suspension and Debarment Actions, 34 C.F.R. §§ 85.600 - 85.645 (2006).

Controlled Substances Act, 21 U.S.C. § 812; Schedules of Controlled Substances, 21 C.F.R. §§ 1308.11 - 1308.15 (2006). Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act, 20 U.S.C. §§ 7101-7117 (2006). 34 C.F.R. §§ 300.108.