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Purpose

The Board welcomes the public at activities and events sponsored by the school district, but the Board also acknowledges its duty to maintain order and preserve school facilities during such events.

Definitions

For purposes of this policy, **tobacco** includes a lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, cigarillo, little cigar, pipe or other smoking product or material and smokeless tobacco in any form including chewing tobacco, snuff, dip, or dissolvable tobacco pieces.[\[1\]](#)

For purposes of this policy, **nicotine** shall mean any product that contains or consists of nicotine in any form that can be ingested by chewing, smoking, inhaling or through other means.

For purposes of this policy, a **nicotine delivery product** shall mean any product or device used, intended for use or designed for the purpose of ingesting nicotine or any other like substance. This definition includes, but is not limited to, any device or associated product used for what is commonly referred to as vaping or juuling.

Authority

The Board has the authority to prohibit at a school event the attendance of any individual whose conduct may constitute a disruption. The Board prohibits gambling and the possession or use of controlled substances, alcoholic beverages, and/or weapons on school premises.[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)

Delegation of Responsibility

A schedule of fees for attendance at school events shall be prepared by the Superintendent or his/her designee and adopted by the Board.

The Superintendent shall ensure that this policy is posted on the district's publicly accessible website.[\[4\]](#)

Guidelines

Tobacco/Nicotine

The Board prohibits the use of tobacco, nicotine, and nicotine delivery products by any persons in its school buildings and on any property, buses, vans and vehicles that are owned, leased or controlled by the district.[\[1\]](#)[\[5\]](#)

The Board designates that school buildings, stadiums, bleachers, and general properties owned by the district as tobacco/nicotine free property. However; this policy does not prohibit the use of a nicotine patch, gum or lozenge as a smoking cessation product by adult members of the public in attendance at school events.

Reporting -

The Superintendent shall annually, by July 31, report all incidents of the possession, use, or sale of tobacco, nicotine and nicotine delivery products by any person on school property to the Office for Safe Schools on the required form.[\[6\]](#)

Summary Offense -

The Superintendent or designee may report incidents involving the use of tobacco, nicotine, or nicotine delivery products, or sale of tobacco, nicotine, or nicotine delivery products to minors, by any person on school property, at any school-sponsored activity or on a conveyance providing transportation to or from a school or school-sponsored activity to the school police, school resource officer (SRO), or to the local police department that has jurisdiction over the school's property, in accordance with state law and regulations, the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement and Board policies.[\[6\]](#)[\[7\]](#)[\[8\]](#)[\[9\]](#)[\[10\]](#)

Gold Card/District Retirees

District residents who are sixty-two (62) years or older, retired district personnel who have been employed a minimum of fifteen (15) years, and/or persons sixty-two (62) years or older with a grandchild enrolled in the district, shall be eligible for a Gold Club Card for admittance to all home interscholastic/athletic events without charge.

District personnel and current School Board members will be admitted to all home interscholastic/athletic events at no charge. The district-issued Identification Badge shall be used for admission purposes. Board members no longer serving on the Board that have completed a minimum of four (4) years of Board service will be issued a Gold Card.

The Board will honor athletic passes from all districts that are members of conferences in which teams of this district compete and honor the passes of this district.

Service Animals

Individuals with disabilities may be accompanied by their service animals while on district property for events that are open to the general public in accordance with Board policy and state and federal laws and regulations.[\[11\]](#)[\[12\]](#)[\[13\]](#)

Legal

1. 35 P.S. 1223.5
2. 24 P.S. 511
3. 24 P.S. 775
4. 24 P.S. 510.2
5. 20 U.S.C. 7183
6. 24 P.S. 1303-A
7. 18 Pa. C.S.A. 6305
8. 22 PA Code 10.2
9. 22 PA Code 10.22
10. 24 P.S. 1302.1-A
11. 28 CFR 35.136
12. 43 P.S. 953
13. Pol. 718
- 20 U.S.C. 7181 et seq
- 28 CFR Part 35