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Tobacco Free Workplace

In order to promote the general health, welfare and well-being of students and staff, smoking, chewing or any other use of any tobacco products by staff, students and members of the public shall be banned from school property.

For purposes of this policy, the following definitions shall apply:

1. "School property" shall mean all property owned, leased, rented or otherwise used by a school including but not limited to the following:
 - a. All interior portions of any building or other structure used for instruction, administration, support services, maintenance or storage. The term shall not apply to building used primarily as residences, i.e., teacherages.
 - b. All school grounds over which the school exercises control including areas surrounding any building, playgrounds, athletic fields, recreation areas and parking areas.
 - c. All vehicles used by the district for transporting students, staff, visitors or other persons.
2. "Tobacco" shall include cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco and all other kinds and forms of tobacco prepared in such manner as to be suitable for chewing, smoking or both. "Tobacco" shall include cloves or any other product packaged for smoking.
3. "Use" shall mean lighting, chewing, inhaling or smoking any tobacco product.

This policy shall be published in employee handbooks, posted on bulletin boards and announced in staff meetings.

Employees found to be in violation of this policy shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

Members of the public will be asked to use tobacco off school grounds.

To the extent funds are available, each school is encouraged to operate and maintain an educational program to assist staff members in avoiding and discontinuing use of tobacco.

LEGAL REFS: C.R.S. 22-32-109 (1)(bb)
 C.R.S. 25-14-103.5
 6 CCR 1010-6, Rule 5-306 as per legislative revision

CROSS REFS: ADC, Tobacco-Free Schools
 GCQF, Discipline, Suspension and Dismissal of Professional Staff
 GDQD, Discipline, Suspension and Dismissal of Support Staff

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