

TOBACCO and SMOKING ON SCHOOL PREMISES

Smoking or the use of any tobacco and tobacco products within the school buildings, school facilities, or on school grounds or school buses by any individual, including school personnel and students, is prohibited at all times.

For purpose of this policy, “smoking” will mean all uses of tobacco products and devices (including but not limited to chewing tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, and pipes) and the use of electronic, “vapor”, or other substitute forms of cigarettes and nicotine products.

A staff member determined to be in violation of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action.

A student determined to be in violation of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to the student discipline code, as stated in the Student Handbook.

A visitor observed smoking or using tobacco products on school property will be asked to refrain from smoking and the use of tobacco products while on school property and s/he will be reminded that the District is required by law to keep school premises tobacco free. If the individual fails to comply with the request, it may be deemed necessary to call upon the local law enforcement agency to enforce this policy.

Notice

This policy and disciplinary procedures shall be provided to all staff and students in appropriate handbook(s) and publications.

Signs shall be posted in all school buildings informing the general public of the District’s policy and requirements of state law.

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LEGAL REF: M.G.L. 71:37H,
Mansfield Board of Health Tobacco Regulation 2012

CROSS REF: GBED, Smoking and Use of Tobacco Products
JICG, Tobacco Use and Smoking by Students