

Maintaining drug free schools is important in establishing an appropriate learning environment for the district's students. Unless otherwise specified in this policy, the possession, use, sale, distribution, and/or being under the influence of illicit drugs, controlled substances, designer drugs, and/or alcohol by students at school, on or in school property, or at school sponsored activities or events is prohibited. Unauthorized use of over-the-counter medications or inhalants is similarly prohibited in the aforementioned locations.

Definitions:

“Designer drug” means a synthetic version of a controlled substance (such as, but not limited to, heroin) that is produced with a slightly altered molecular structure to avoid having it classified as an illicit drug.

“Unauthorized use” means use in a greater quantity, at a higher frequency, or for purposes other than as specified on the product’s label.

Possession, use, and/or being under the influence of a controlled substance by a student for the purposes of this policy shall only be permitted if such substance was:

1. Obtained directly from, or pursuant to a valid prescription or order, issued to such student from a person licensed by the state to dispense, prescribe, or administer controlled substances;

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2. In the case of use or possession, approved and administered, if administered at all, in accordance with board policy JGFGB and/or board policy JGFGBA; and
3. Used, if at all, in accordance with label directions.

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Curriculum:

All the district's students shall be made aware of the legal, social and health consequences of drug and alcohol use. Students shall be instructed on effective techniques for resisting peer pressure to use illicit drugs, non-medically authorized prescription drugs, non-medically authorized inhalants, alcohol, and that the unlawful possession and use of these items is both wrong and harmful.

The Board has adopted a comprehensive drug and alcohol abuse and prevention program as part of the district's curriculum. The curriculum is age-appropriate and developmentally based to reach students at all ages and levels of education within the district.

Student Conduct

As a condition of continued enrollment in the district, students shall abide by the terms of this policy.

Students shall not manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess, use, sell, or be under the influence of illicit drugs, controlled substances, designer drugs, or alcoholic beverages nor engage in unauthorized use of over-the-counter medications or inhalants at school on or in district property, or at any school activity, program, or event. Any student violating the terms of this policy will be reported to the appropriate law enforcement officials, and will be subject to the following sanctions (offenses are cumulative within each of K-6, 7-8, and 9-12 grades):

A student who is found to be in violation of this policy will be subjected to one or more of the following consequences: suspension, expulsion, and/or revocation of the privilege to participate in and/or attend school activities. Upon returning to school, the student will be required to meet with the Drug and Alcohol Prevention Coordinator, Social Worker, or Counselor for mandatory education.

Students who are suspended or expelled under the terms of this policy will be afforded the due process rights contained in board policies and Kansas statutes, K.S.A. 72-6114, et seq. Nothing in this policy is intended to diminish the ability of the district to take other disciplinary action against the student in accordance with other policies governing student discipline. Drug and alcohol education and rehabilitation programs are available for district students. If a student agrees to enter and complete a drug education or rehabilitation program, the cost of such program will be borne by the student and his or her parents.

A list of available programs along with names and addresses of contact persons for the program is on file in the principal's office. Parents or students should contact the directors of the programs to determine the cost and length of the program.

A copy of this policy will be provided to all students, and the parents of all students. Parents of all students will be notified that compliance with this policy is mandatory.

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