

Richmond School District Policy Statement
Tobacco Use on School Premises

Policy #: 831

It is the intent of the Richmond School District to maintain an optimal school environment for the intellectual, emotional, and physical development of its students and to recognize that the use of tobacco products adversely affects that environment and constitutes a direct threat to the health and safety of both students and staff.

The Board of Education believes that smoking and the use of smokeless tobacco products on District property is inconsistent and incompatible with the Board of Education's obligations to provide a healthful environment for its students and employees and to instruct its students in healthful living.

Therefore, in order to provide a learning environment that is free of health hazards, to protect and promote the health of the District's employees, students, visitors, and guests, and to provide an appropriate example to students in preventive health care behavior, the use of tobacco, smokeless tobacco, electronic cigarettes, and look-alike products is prohibited on District property or while engaged in District-sponsored activities. No student, school employee, spectator, or visitor may use tobacco products on school grounds or in motor vehicles owned or leased by the District at any time. Further, the use of tobacco products is not allowed at any time on school excursions and field trips, including in motor vehicles that are used in conjunction with such activities. Student possession of tobacco products and look-alike products on school property is also prohibited.

Students and staff who violate the Board of Education's policy shall be disciplined in accordance with established procedures.

Legal References:

Wisconsin Statutes

[Section 101.123](#) [smoking prohibited in enclosed places]

[Section 120.12\(20\)](#) [school board duty to prohibit tobacco use on school premises]

[Section 134.66\(1\)\(f\)](#) [definition of nicotine product]

[Section 139.75\(12\)](#) [definition of tobacco products]

Federal Laws

[Pro-Children Act of 2001](#) [smoking prohibited in indoor facilities providing education services to children]

Cross References: Employee Handbook

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