Students

Tobacco

The Board of Education recognizes that tobacco use presents serious health risks and desires to provide support and assistance in the prevention and intervention of tobacco use among youth.

Students shall not smoke or use tobacco, or any product containing tobacco or nicotine, while on campus, while attending school-sponsored activities, or while under the supervision and control of District employees. (Education Code 48901) This prohibition also applies to electronic nicotine delivery systems, such as electronic cigarettes, electronic hookahs, and other vapor emitting devise, with or without nicotine content, or any other type of device that serves as a nicotine delivery system or that mimic the use of tobacco products of any kind.

The District's comprehensive prevention/intervention program shall be based on an ongoing assessment of objective data regarding tobacco use in the schools and community and on research identifying strategies that have proven effective in preventing or reducing tobacco use among youth. The program shall be designed to meet a set of measurable goals and objectives and shall be periodically evaluated to assess progress.

The District shall provide developmentally appropriate tobacco use prevention instruction for students in grades kindergarten through 12. The Superintendent or designee also may provide students with counseling and other support services to assist in the prevention or reduction of tobacco use.

Because of the additional health risks of tobacco use for prenatal development, the District shall provide outreach, motivational and other support services to prevent or reduce tobacco use among pregnant and parenting minors.

Information about smoking cessation programs shall be made available and encouraged for students and staff. (Health and Safety Code 104420)

The Superintendent or designee shall coordinate prevention and cessation efforts with the local health department, other local agencies and community organizations and shall involve students, parents/guardians, families and the community in support of school-based programs.

EDUCATION CODE

48900 Suspension or expulsion (grounds)

48900.5 Suspension, limitation on imposition; exception

48901 Smoking or use of tobacco prohibited

51202 Instruction in personal and public health and safety

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

104350-104495 Tobacco use prevention education

PENAL CODE

308 Minimum age for tobacco possession

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

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