

FAIRVIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: SUPPORT EMPLOYEES

TITLE: SMOKE-FREE SCHOOLS

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523. SMOKE-FREE SCHOOLS	
<p>1. Purpose 20 U.S.C. 6081 et seq 35 P.S.1230.1 et seq</p>	<p>The Fairview School Board recognizes its obligation to provide a safe and healthful environment in all its facilities. The Board also has a primary responsibility to educate students regarding safe and healthful lifestyle practices and choices. Since smoking and other tobacco usage presents a health and safety hazard, which can have serious consequences for the smoker as well as the nonsmoker who must involuntarily inhale sidestream smoke, the Board recognizes the need to restrict smoking and other tobacco usage in school buildings. It is the Board's intent to comply with the Pro-Children Act of 1994 and the Pennsylvania Clean Indoor Air Law.</p>
<p>2. Definition Act 168 of 1988</p>	<p>For purposes of this policy, smoking and other tobacco usage shall mean all uses of tobacco, including cigars, cigarettes, pipes and smokeless tobacco.</p>
<p>3. Authority Act 168 of 1988 Pro-Children's Act of 1994</p>	<p>In order to protect students and staff from an environment that may be harmful to them, and because the Board cannot condone the use of tobacco, because of its possible harm to personal well-being, the Board prohibits smoking and other tobacco usage at all times by all persons in all district school buildings/school buses, and in all vehicles used in connection with school activities.</p> <p>Smoking and all other use of tobacco will not be permitted in any indoor area, outdoor, stadium and field areas, or other school district property, or in school district owned and/or contracted vehicles. Smoking and all other use of tobacco by employees will not be permitted at any school-sponsored event taking place on or off school property. Employees are not permitted to use tobacco in any form while under the jurisdiction of school authorities. Effective July 1, 1999, all buildings and property owned or leased by the Fairview School District will be considered a smoke-free environment.</p> <p>This administration shall develop and implement such procedures as will prevent tobacco use among the employees of the Fairview School District.</p>
<p>4. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p>Building administrators shall be responsible for enforcing this policy in their respective buildings.</p>

<p>5. Guidelines</p> <p>35 P.S. 1223.5, 1230.1, 1235.1</p> <p>School Code 510</p> <p>Other Cites 35 P.S. 6081 et seq 1230.120 U.S.C.</p>	<p>This policy shall be communicated by such means, including newsletter, student handbook, or posting, and in such manner, as determined by the Superintendent.</p> <p>Employees violating this policy shall be subject to such progressive disciplinary measures as permitted by law, including verbal warnings, written warnings, suspension without pay and discharge as circumstances warrant. A circumstance warranting the imposition of discipline more severe than a verbal warning shall be repeat violations of the prohibition against tobacco possession or use.</p> <p>Members of the general public violating this policy and refusing to comply shall also be subject to prosecution which shall, upon conviction therefor, be punishable by a civil fine of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00).</p>
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