



SECTION J: Students

JICH-O Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco Use

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It shall be a violation of the CEC Network policy and considered to be behavior which is detrimental to the welfare or safety of themselves, other students, or school personnel for any student to possess, use, sell, distribute, or procure or to be under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other controlled substances. The unlawful possession or use of alcohol or controlled substances creates an environment that hinders learning and is harmful to all students.

For purposes of this policy, controlled substances include but are not limited to narcotic drugs, hallucinogenic or mind-altering drugs or substances, amphetamines, barbiturates, stimulants, depressants, marijuana (except cannabinoid derivatives approved for compassionate therapeutic use), anabolic steroids, any another controlled substances as defined in law, or any prescription or nonprescription drug, medicine, vitamin, or other chemical substances not taken in accordance with the CEC policy and regulations on administering medicines to students (***JLCD-O Medication Administration***)

This policy also includes substances that are represented by or to the student to be any such controlled substance or what the student believes to be any such substance.

This policy shall apply to any student who is on school property, in attendance at school, in a school vehicle, or taking part in any-school sponsored or sanctioned activity or whose conduct at any time or place interferes with the operations of the district or the potential safety or welfare of students or employees.

Students violating this policy shall be subject to disciplinary sanctions which may include suspension and/or expulsion from school and referral for prosecution.

Whenever possible in dealing with student problems associated with drug and alcohol abuse, school personnel shall provide parents/guardians and students with information concerning education and rehabilitation programs which are available.

Information provided to students and/or parents about community substance abuse treatment programs or other resources shall be accompanied by a disclaimer to clarify that the school district assumes no financial responsibility for the expense of drug or alcohol assessment or treatment provided by other agencies or groups unless otherwise required.

Tobacco Use

The use of tobacco by students, teachers, staff, and visitors in or on any school property or at any student activity sponsored by the CEC Network School is prohibited. Due to the nature of some CEC campuses sharing facilities with other institutions, signs regarding this prohibition shall be displayed prominently on all CEC Network school property that students have access to. It is recommended that, at a minimum, signage should be posted at all designated school entrances, parking lot entrances, main walkways and outside of main offices.

Tobacco means any cigarette, nicotine or tobacco product that contains nicotine or tobacco or is derived from tobacco and is intended to be ingested or inhaled by or applied to the skin of an individual; or any electronic device that can be used to deliver nicotine to the person inhaling from the device including but not limited to an electronic cigarette, rolling papers, cigar, cigarillo, pipe, water pipe, hookah pen.

Use means the lighting, chewing, smoking, inhaling, vaporizing, ingesting or application to the skin of any cigarette, tobacco, nicotine, any other substance other than food and drug administration approved devices.

Tobacco does not mean any product that the Food and Drug Administration of the United States Department of Health and Human Services has approved for use as a tobacco use cessation product. Due to the wide range of nicotine levels available in tobacco cessation products, and the potential for abuse or toxicity, the school must receive a note from a medical provider for anyone under 18 with dosage recommendations in incidences of tobacco cessation product use.

Legal Refs:

20 U.S.C. 7101 et seq. (Safe & Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1994)

C.R.S. 18-18-102 (3), (5) (definition of "anabolic steroid" and "controlled substance")

C.R.S. 18-18-407 (2) (crime to sell, distribute or possess controlled substance on or near school grounds or school vehicles)

C.R.S. 22-1-110 (instruction related to alcohol and drugs)

C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (2)(a)(I)(G) (policy required as part of safe schools plan)

C.R.S. 22-33-106 (1)(d) (suspension or expulsion discretionary for the sale of a drug or controlled substance)

C.R.S. 25-1.5-106 (12)(b) (possession or use of medical marijuana in or on school grounds or in a school bus is prohibited)