

Instruction

**Drugs, Tobacco, Alcohol**

Since the use of these harmful agents may have a deleterious effect on the health and welfare of the users, and causes far-reaching detrimental consequences to the users, their families and society, the Board of Education desires that every effort be made by all staff members to reduce the chances that students will begin or continue use of such harmful drugs, tobacco, and alcohol.

The professional staff shall become more aware of the problem, and become more expert in recognition of the symptoms of such use. Annually, teachers in each grade shall emphasize the effect of alcohol, nicotine, tobacco and drugs on health, character, citizenship and personality development wherever appropriate in the health education program and other contexts which touch on the subject.

It is desired that the administration make use of in-service training sessions for both certified and non-certified staff to achieve the goals of this policy, and that full cooperation with community agencies be given wherever such cooperation can be advantageous to the students.

(cf. 5132.6 – Drugs, Tobacco, Alcohol)

Legal Reference:        Connecticut General Statutes  
                                 10-16b Prescribed courses of study  
                                 10-19 Effect of alcohol, nicotine or tobacco and drugs to be taught  
                                 10-220 Duties of Board of Education  
                                 10-221 (d) Boards of Education to prescribe rules

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