

~~ABBA--TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS & WORKPLACES~~ **~~(Recommended)~~**

~~The District shall comply with all applicable tobacco prohibitions contained in state and federal law. Smoking in district buildings, district-owned vehicles, and at sporting events, whether indoor or outdoor, is prohibited.~~

~~Student Use~~

~~Smoking, use, or possession of tobacco products by students is prohibited on district property, including district grounds, and at all school functions. The school principal is responsible for administering appropriate student discipline in accordance with policy and law (which may include suspension and/or recommendation for expulsion from school).~~

~~Staff and Public Use~~

~~Staff and public use of tobacco is prohibited on district property and at all school events.~~

~~Reporting Violations~~

~~All individuals on the district's premises share in the responsibility for adhering to and enforcing this policy. Any individual who observes a violation on district property may report it to the appropriate principal in the case of students, the appropriate supervisor in the case of employees, and in the case of all others, to the building principal or other school district supervisory personnel responsible for the area or program during which the violation occurred.~~

~~Enforcement & Training~~

~~The Superintendent shall develop regulations for the enforcement and implementation of this policy including educational and informational programs to assist students, staff, and public with understanding, accepting, and cooperating with the policy. The District shall comply with all tobacco education curriculum requirements in accordance with law.~~

PROPOSED NEW RECOMMENDED POLICY

NORTH DAKOTA'S COMPREHENSIVE MODEL SCHOOL POLICY FOR TOBACCO USE

Definitions

For purposes of this policy, "tobacco" is defined to include any product that contains tobacco, is manufactured from tobacco, or contains nicotine. This excludes any FDA-approved nicotine replacement therapy.

Rationale for Regulating Possession & Use

The health hazards of tobacco use have been well established. This policy is established to:

1. Reduce the high incidence of tobacco use in North Dakota.
2. Protect the health and safety of all students, employees, and the general public.
3. Set a non-tobacco-use example by adults.

Tobacco use is the leading cause of preventable death and disability in North Dakota. To support and model a healthy lifestyle for our students, the Dickinson Public School District School Board establishes the following tobacco-free policy.

Use & Possession Prohibitions

1. Students: Possession and/or use of tobacco products by students on district property, in district vehicles, and at school-sponsored events (whether on or off district property) is prohibited at all times.
2. Staff/Visitors: The use of tobacco products by all school employees and visitors on district property, in district vehicles, and at school-sponsored events (whether on or off district property) is prohibited.

This policy includes all events sponsored by the school and all events on school property that are not sponsored by, or associated with, the school.

3. Additional: The District will not allow advertising of tobacco products in school buildings, on school property, at school functions, on district property, or in any school publications. This includes clothing that advertises tobacco products.

The District will not accept any gifts (such as curriculum, book covers, speakers, etc.) or funds from the tobacco industry.

Communicating to Students, Staff, & Public

This policy will be printed in employee and the student handbooks. The District shall comply with all smoking prohibition posting requirements in NDCC 23-12-10.4 ~~and it should be posted such notices in other highly visible places in all district schools and property of the district, such as, but not limited to: all entrances of school buildings, school playgrounds, athletic fields and school-sponsored events (on district property). Parents will be sent notification in writing, and the local media will be asked to communicate this tobacco-free policy communitywide.~~

Responsibility for Violations

All individuals on the district's premises share in the responsibility for adhering to and enforcing this policy. The Superintendent shall develop regulations for the enforcement and implementation of this policy.

Tobacco Cessation Services

Individuals requesting assistance with tobacco cessation services will be referred to [NDQuits](#), the North Dakota Department of Health multi-media tobacco cessation program. ~~This is a free cessation services provided to citizens of North Dakota.~~

Complementary Documents

- DEAA, Drug & Alcohol Free Workplace
- FF, Student Conduct & Discipline
- FGDE, Student Distribution & Posting of Noncurricular Material
- HDD, Gifts & Bequests
- KAAA, Visitors in Schools
- KAAA-AR, Visitors in Schools Regulations
- KAAD, Distribution of Noncurricular Material in Schools

End of Dickinson Public Schools Policy ABBA..... Adopted: 04/06/10