

MAINTAINING DRUG FREE SCHOOLS

Students have the right to attend school in an environment that is free from the use and abuse of all drugs (prescription and non-prescription) and alcohol, nicotine, and other controlled substances/and/or chemicals. These substances interfere with the learning environment of students and the performance of students and employees.

The following actions are prohibited in or on school property, in any District-owned or contracted vehicle or at school-sponsored activities:

1. the use, possession, distribution, manufacture, or sale of alcohol or controlled substances (including all illegal drugs);
2. being under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances;
3. possession of drug paraphernalia (as defined by local, state, and federal statutes); and,
4. possession of look-alike drugs or alcohol (e.g. non-alcoholic beer, over the counter drugs, etc).

In accordance with District Policy #453.4, students are not prohibited from use of prescription medication when used by the individual for whom they were prescribed, and in the manner and amount prescribed. The student must inform the school's administration when taking prescription medication, and they will be taken in accordance with district policy.

Parents/guardians and students will be informed annually of the established standards of conduct and possible sanctions related to the use and abuse of alcohol and controlled substances. Failure to abide by this policy will result in disciplinary action up to and including suspension or expulsion from school. Such disciplinary action shall be done in accordance with state law and established procedures. Violation of this policy may also result in referral to law enforcement officials for prosecution under specific local, state or federal laws.

The District shall assist students, parents/guardians and staff to be aware of district procedures and community resources that exist to foster sound healthy decisions.

LEGAL REFERENCE: Wisconsin Stat. 118.24(2)(f), 118.257, 118.45, 120.13(1), 125.02(8)(m), 125.09 –Chapter 961