

USE OF TOBACCO BY STUDENTS POLICY

The Board of Education recognizes that the use of tobacco presents a health hazard which can have serious consequences both for the user and the nonuser and is, therefore, of concern to the Board.

In order to protect students and employees who choose not to use tobacco from an environment noxious to them and potentially damaging to their health, the Board prohibits the use of tobacco on District premises, in District vehicles, and in all school buildings owned and/or operated by the District.

The Board prohibits the use or possession of tobacco product by students in District buildings, on District property (owned or leased), on District buses, and at any District-related event.

For purposes of this policy,

- A. "tobacco product" means a preparation of tobacco to be inhaled, chewed, or placed in a person's mouth.
- B. "use of a tobacco product" means any of the following:
 - a. the carrying by a person of a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe, or other lighted smoking device
 - b. the inhaling or chewing of a tobacco product
 - c. the placing of a tobacco product within a person's mouth
 - d. and/or the smoking of electronic, "vapor", or other substitute forms of cigarettes, clove cigarettes or other lighted smoking devices for burning tobacco or any other substance