

**Use of Tobacco/Substitute Devices**

The Board of Education is concerned with maintaining a safe and healthy learning environment for all students and because medical research has established that smoking and using other tobacco products are hazardous to one's health; therefore, smoking or using other tobacco products or substitute devices (e.g., smokeless tobacco, electronic cigarettes) or possessing cigarettes or other tobacco products is prohibited as follows:

- In school buildings and on school grounds at all times.
- On transportation provided by the Board of Education.
- During the course of any trip sponsored by the board or under the supervision of the board.

Students violating this policy will be subject to suspension as outlined in board policy JGD.

**Legal References:** Connecticut General Statutes  
1-21b. Smoking prohibited in certain places.  
53-198. Smoking in school buses.

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