

## **ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE BY PUPILS**

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It is the policy of the School District of Phillips that pupils have the right to attend school in an environment that is free from the non-medical use of alcohol, tobacco (including e-cigarettes/vaping), other drugs, and mood-altering substances. These substances are harmful and interfere with the learning environment and performance of pupils.

The School District of Phillips prohibits the unlawful manufacture, distribution, sale, purchase, possession or use of illicit drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products (including e-cigarettes/vaping), in the school building or on school premises; in any school owned vehicle or vehicle authorized to transport pupils to and from school or school activities; on or off school property during any school sponsored or approved activity, event, or function where pupils are under the jurisdiction of the School District. The School District of Phillips is committed to a program to prevent the use/abuse of alcohol and tobacco products (including e-cigarettes/vaping), or the illegal use of a controlled substance by pupils.

All pupils enrolled in the School District of Phillips are required to abide by the terms of this policy. Any violation of this policy may result in disciplinary action including suspension, expulsion, and referral to law enforcement officials.

Any student exhibiting a continuing problem or suspected of being under the influence of drugs or intoxicants is to be referred to the building administrator.

For the first offense by a pupil, the building administrator will contact the pupil's parents, and may also suspend, refer to law enforcement officials, and/or recommend expulsion. The student will be referred to the School District's P.A.L. Program Coordinator for assessment for the first and subsequent offenses.

Subsequent offenses will result in parent notification and referral to law enforcement officials. The building administrator may also suspend and/or recommend the student be expelled.

This policy shall be published annually in all District pupil and teacher handbooks.

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