

BARRE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY MANUAL

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Policy: Tobacco Prohibition: Students

Policy

It is the policy of the Barre City School District to prohibit the use of tobacco Barre City School grounds in accordance with state law. This ban extends to any student, and applies at all times, whether or not school is in session. Students are, furthermore, prohibited from possessing tobacco products, tobacco substitutes or tobacco paraphernalia at all times while under the supervision of school staff or at school-sponsored activities. The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures, rules and regulations that are necessary to implement this policy and, at a minimum, will include provisions ensuring that tobacco products, tobacco substitutes or tobacco paraphernalia are confiscated when found in the possession of students and that referrals to law enforcement agencies are made when appropriate.

Definitions

For purposes of this policy and administrative rules and procedures developed pursuant to this policy:

1. **School grounds** means any property and facilities owned or leased by the school and used at any time for school related activities, including but not limited to school buildings, school buses, contracted transportation, areas adjacent to school buildings, athletic fields and parking lots.
2. **School sponsored activity** means activities including but not limited to field trips, project graduation events, sporting events, work internships and dances.
3. **Tobacco product** has the same meaning as set forth in 7 V.S.A. 1001(3), as amended from time to time, and includes cigarettes, little cigars, roll-your-own tobacco, snuff, cigars, smokeless tobacco, and other tobacco products.
4. **Tobacco paraphernalia** has the same meaning as set forth in 7 V.S.A. 1001(7), as amended from time to time and includes "any device used, intended for use, or designed for use in smoking, inhaling, ingesting, or otherwise introducing tobacco products into the human body, or for preparing tobacco for smoking, inhaling, ingesting, or otherwise introducing into the human body, including devices for holding tobacco, rolling paper, wraps, cigarette rolling machines, pipes, water pipes, carburetion devices, bongs, and hookahs".
5. **Tobacco substitutes** has the same meaning as set forth in 7 V.S.A. 1001(8), as amended from time to time and includes: "electronic cigarettes or other electronic or battery-powered devices that contain and are designed to deliver nicotine or

other substances into the body through inhaling vapor and that have not been approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for tobacco cessation or other medical purposes.”

Implementation

1. The superintendent or designee is directed to take reasonable steps to inform students of this policy, to post signs on school property and to provide notice to visitors and those who are invited to attend school activities in bulletins, programs and announcements related to school events.
2. Students who violate this policy will be disciplined under the school's disciplinary policy and procedures.