

BP 5131.62 TOBACCO PRODUCTS

The use of tobacco products presents a health hazard which can have serious consequences both for the smoker and the nonsmoker. Students are not allowed to use tobacco products or imitation products school property or during school hours, at school-sponsored events, or while under the supervision of district employees. Students who violate this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action as outlined below.

Clothing, bags, hats, and other personal items used by students to display, promote, or advertise tobacco products, are prohibited on district grounds, at school-sponsored activities, or in district owned, leased, or rented vehicles.

CCSD uses the following American Lung Association definition of “tobacco product”:

1. Any product containing, made of, or derived from tobacco or containing nicotine from any source that is intended for human consumption or is likely to be consumed, whether inhaled, absorbed, or ingested by any other means, including, but not limited to, a cigarette, a cigar, pipe tobacco, chewing tobacco, IqmiK/Blackbull, snuff, or snus;
2. Any electronic smoking device and any substance that may be aerosolized or vaporized by such device, whether or not the substance contains nicotine; other than products covered under CCSD’s drug policy or
3. Any component, part, or accessory of 1) or 2), whether or not any of these contains tobacco or nicotine, including, but not limited to, lighters, filters, rolling papers, blunt or hemp wraps, hookahs, flavor enhancers, or pipes.
4. “Tobacco product” does not include drugs, devices, or combinations products, including nicotine replacement products, authorized for sale by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, as those terms are defined in the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act.

In addition to confiscation of the tobacco product, non-punitive, equitable, and supportive intervention and educational consequences for students engaging in the prohibited behavior will be provided. Alternative to suspension and intervention programs will be the focus of disciplinary efforts rather than punitive practices including suspension and expulsion.

The American Lung Association’s *INDEPTH* intervention program is the adopted mandatory intervention program and first step consequence to be used. The American Lung Association’s N-O-T voluntary cessation for tobacco products will be provided during the school year. Students who choose to enroll in this program will not face punitive consequences as a result of their enrollment.

(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion)

The Board may provide instruction regarding the effects of smoking on the human body and may take steps to discourage students from the use of products containing nicotine.

(cf. 3514 - Safety)

(cf. 3513.3 - Tobacco-free Schools/Smoking)

Legal Reference:

ALASKA STATUTES

11.76.100-.105 *Selling or giving tobacco to a minor; possession of tobacco by a minor*

14.30.360 *Curriculum (Health and Safety Education)*

18.35.300 - 18.35.330 *Health nuisances (smoking)*

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