

4.24—DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

An orderly and safe school environment that is conducive to promoting student achievement requires a student population free from the deleterious effects of alcohol and drugs. Their use is illegal, disruptive to the educational environment, and diminishes the capacity of students to learn and function properly in our schools.

Therefore, no student in the District shall possess, attempt to possess, consume, use, distribute, sell, buy, attempt to sell, attempt to buy, give to any person, or be under the influence of any substance as defined in this policy, or what the student represents or believes to be any substance as defined in this policy. This policy applies to any student who: is on or about school property; is in attendance at school or any school sponsored activity; has left the school campus for any reason and returns to the campus; or istraveling on a school bus en route to or from school or any school sponsored activity.

Prohibited substances shall include, but are not limited to, alcohol, or any alcoholic beverage, inhalants or any ingestible matter that alter a student's ability to act, think, or respond, LSD, or any other hallucinogen, marijuana, cocaine, heroin, or any other narcotic drug, PCP, amphetamines, steroids, "designer drugs," look- alike drugs, controlled substance analogs* or any controlled substance.

*An analog is a substance which has a stimulant, depressant, or hallucinogenic effect on the central nervous system that is similar to the stimulant, depressant, or hallucinogenic effect on the central nervous system of a controlled substance. This includes, but is not limited to, K2, spice, genie, and zohai.

Selling, distributing, or attempting to sell or distribute, or using over-the-counter or prescription drugs not in accordance with the recommended dosage is prohibited.

All medications, prescription and non-prescription, must be registered with and kept in the nurse's office. It is the responsibility of the parent/student to register all medications in the school nurse's office. Students of the District who possess, use, sell, distribute, manufacture, or are under the influence of any form of medication, other than in compliance with the procedures established for such medications, while on school property, including buses, and at school-sponsored activities, are in violation of school policy and shall be subject to discipline.

For those who violate this policy, disciplinary sanctions will be stern. This may, and likely will, include suspension and expulsion. In addition, a parent/guardian conference will be required and the police may be notified.

Reference: ASBA Model Policies

Date Adopted: