

# Intermediate District 287

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## DISTRICT POLICY

**POLICY SERIES:** Health and Medical

**SUBJECT:** Tobacco-Free Schools

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## HM160 TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS

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#### I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to maintain a learning and working environment that is tobacco-free. The Board's primary concern is to promote the health of students and employees.

#### II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- A. No person may smoke or use tobacco, or tobacco-related devices or electronic delivery devices in a public school, including any building or vehicle owned, rented, or leased by the District. This prohibition includes all District property and all off-campus events sponsored by the District.
- B. No student may possess any type of tobacco, or tobacco-related device or electronic delivery device on District property, including any facilities or vehicles owned, rented, leased, contracted for, or controlled by the District. This prohibition includes all District property and all off-campus events sponsored by the District.
- C. The District will intervene, discipline or take other appropriate action against any person who is found to have violated this policy.
- D. Smoking cessation program information and education about the health benefits of a tobacco-free lifestyle will be made available to all students through the School Counselor and/or health and science teachers and to employees through the Employee Assistance Program.

#### III. DEFINITIONS

- A. "Tobacco" means cigarettes; cigars; cheroots; stogies; perique; granulated, plug cut, crimp cut, ready rubbed, and other smoking tobacco; snuff; snuff flour; Cavendish; plug and twist tobacco; fine cut and other chewing tobacco; shorts; refuse scraps; clippings, cuttings and sweepings of tobacco; and all

other kinds and forms of tobacco prepared in such a manner as to be suitable for chewing or smoking in a pipe or other tobacco-related device.

- B. "Tobacco-related devices" means cigarette papers or pipes for smoking or other devices intentionally designed or intended to be used in a manner which enables the chewing, sniffing, smoking, or inhalation of vapors of tobacco or tobacco products. Tobacco-related devices include components of tobacco-related devices which may be marketed or sold separately.
- C. "Electronic delivery device" means any product containing or delivering nicotine, lobelia, or any other substance intended for human consumption that can be used by a person to simulate smoking in the delivery of nicotine or any other substance through inhalation of vapor from the product. Electronic delivery device includes any component part of a product, whether or not marketed or sold separately.
- D. "Smoking" includes carrying a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe, or any other lit tobacco or tobacco-related device. Smoking also includes the use of electronic cigarettes, including the inhaling and exhaling of vapor from any electronic delivery device.

***Legal References:*** Minn. Stat. §§ 144.411 – 144.417 (Minnesota Clean Indoor Air Act)  
Minn. Stat. § 609.685 (Sale of Tobacco to Children)

***Cross References:*** Health and Medical Goals Policy  
Employee Responsibilities Policy  
Student Conduct and Discipline Policy