

Student Drug Use/Student Drug Involvement:

It shall be the policy of the Board to take positive action through education, counseling, parental involvement, intervention, medical referral, and police referral in the handling of incidents in the schools involving the possession, sale, distribution and/or use of behavior affecting substances.

It shall further be the policy of the Board for all students in the system to be provided age appropriate, developmentally based drug and alcohol education and prevention programs, which address the legal, social, and health consequences of drug and alcohol use and to be provided with information about effective techniques for resisting peer pressure to use illicit drugs or alcohol. These programs shall also provide information about any drug and alcohol counseling rehabilitation and re-entry programs available to students.

Narcotics, Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Stimulant Drugs:

A student shall not possess, sell, use, distribute, or be under the influence of any legal or illegal drug in any form whatsoever, including, but not limited to tobacco, any narcotic drug, inhalants, hallucinogenic drug, amphetamine, barbiturate, cocaine, marijuana, other controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, anabolic steroids, intoxicant of any kind, or any substance represented to be or reasonably appearing to be any type of drug:

1. at school or on school property at all time;
2. off the school grounds at a school sponsored activity, function or event;
3. en-route to and from school and/or
4. in any school owned vehicle

A student shall not attend school or any school event after having consumed any quantity of alcohol or illegal substance. Use may be detected by observation, odor or other means.

A student shall not have on his/her person, or in any way be in possession or control of drug-related paraphernalia.

A student shall be deemed to be in possession of substances or paraphernalia prohibited by this policy if such substances or paraphernalia are found in cars, lockers, book bags, desks or other personal effects of students.

Any student required to take medication while at school will follow the guidelines and procedures distributed to students. Any possession or use of

prescription or over the counter medication not in accordance with the provisions of such guidelines and procedures shall be deemed a violation of this policy, and the student will be subject to the disciplinary actions set forth in this policy.

Discipline Action and Procedures:

All employees must report violations of this policy to the principal or assistant principal of the school where the violation occurred. If the principal has reasonable cause to believe that a report is valid, he/she must immediately make an oral report to the Superintendent or designee and to the police **appropriate law enforcement official**.and ~~district attorney~~.

The student's parents or guardian will be notified immediately of his/her child's involvement in any illegal drug activity.

Students will be given a copy of the Code of Conduct, which includes a statement of prohibited conduct with regard to tobacco, drugs and alcohol and possible disciplinary actions. Compliance with the requirements set forth in this policy is mandatory.

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State Reference

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O.C.G.A 49-05-0045

Rule 160-4-2-.12

Rule 160-4-8-.15

Description

[Sales of alcoholic beverages near churches, school buildings, or other sites](#)

[Manufacturing, distributing, dispensing or possessing controlled substances in on or near schools](#)

[Reporting juvenile drug use](#)

[Mandatory instruction re: alcohol and drug use](#)

[Student codes of conduct; distribution](#)

[Mandatory reporting of students committing certain prohibited acts](#)

[Penalty for allowing unauthorized access to juvenile drug use records](#)

[Comprehensive Health and Physical Education Program Plan](#)

[Student Discipline](#)