

**SUBJECT: ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, DRUGS, AND OTHER SUBSTANCES (STAFF)****Prohibited Conduct**

The District, recognizing that students are often influenced by teachers and other members of a school's staff, impresses upon staff the importance of maintaining a high level of professionalism appropriate to their position, which, in turn, will set a positive example for students.

Accordingly, when in the workplace or when the effects of these actions may impair job performance, staff are prohibited from consuming, sharing, selling, using, and/or possessing:

- a) Illegal drugs;
- b) Cannabis (marijuana) or any other controlled substance in schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act;
- c) Counterfeit and designer drugs;
- d) Drug paraphernalia; or
- e) Alcohol.

Exceptions may exist for authorized medical cannabis use.

Additionally, the misuse and/or unprescribed use of prescription and over-the-counter drugs is prohibited in the workplace or when the effects of these actions may impair job performance.

Further, all staff are bound by the conduct prohibitions contained in district policy #5640 -- Smoking, Tobacco, and Cannabis (Marijuana) Use.

**Disciplinary Measures**

Staff will be informed of the range of penalties or consequences, up to and including termination of employment, that may be imposed for engaging in prohibited conduct. Penalties and consequences will be in accordance with any applicable law, district policy, collective bargaining agreement, and/or other similar document.

**Information on Substance Use Related Services**

The Superintendent has designated one or more individuals to provide information regarding where and how to find available substance use related services to students, parents, and staff.

The designated individual(s) for the District is/are: social worker/counselor.

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Any information provided by a student, parent, or staff member to the designated individual(s) will not be used in any school disciplinary proceeding and will, in addition to any other applicable privilege, be considered confidential in accordance with law.

20 USC Sections 6083(a), 7118, and 7973(a)  
41 USC Section 8101 et seq.  
Cannabis Law Section 127  
Civil Service Law Section 75  
Education Law Sections 409, 2801, 3020-a, and 3038  
Labor Law Section 201-d  
Penal Law Section 222.10  
Public Health Law Sections 1399-n and 1399-o

NOTE: Refer also to Policies #3410 -- Code of Conduct  
#5640 -- Smoking, Tobacco, and Cannabis (Marijuana) Use  
#7320 -- Alcohol, Tobacco, Drugs, and Other Substances (Students)  
District Code of Conduct