

Book	POLICY MANUAL
Section	400 STUDENTS
Title	Student Alcohol and Drug Use
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The School Board is committed to providing an optimal school environment for student learning and positive youth development. Alcohol and controlled substances use and abuse seriously interfere with that school environment and jeopardize the health and well being of students.

The District's primary goal is to see that all students (K-12) shall receive a coordinated, systematic, age appropriate, developmentally and research based, chemical abuse prevention education, which is aligned and immersed into relevant educational standards. The District recognizes that students need assistance and support groups to understand alcohol and other drug issues affecting their lives and those they care about. The District regards alcoholism and drug addiction as diseases and acknowledges that they should be treated like other illnesses or chronic behavioral/medical problems. The District believes that it is essential for the parents/guardians and the community as a whole to take steps to promote, enhance, and maintain a drug-free school system. The District wishes to cooperate with parents/guardians and the community as a whole in achieving this goal.

With this in mind, the following conduct shall be prohibited by students at all times at school, on school premises, on school transportation and while engaged in activities under school district jurisdiction and/or supervision:

- *use or possession of alcohol, drug paraphernalia or controlled substances (Prescription medications will be exceptions to this policy when used by the student for whom they were prescribed and in the amount prescribed, and in accordance with the District's medication administration policy.);*
- *possession of alcohol, drug paraphernalia or controlled substances or look-alikes that are packages in a manner or in quantities that suggest intent to distribute*
- *being under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances;*
- *manufacture, sale, delivery or intent to sell or deliver alcohol, drug paraphernalia or controlled substances;*
- *sale, distribution or intent to sell or distribute look-alike alcohol or look-alike drugs (substances that are represented as a drug or alcohol regardless of the true nature of the substance);*
- *sale or distribution of prescription medication or nonprescription drug products;*

- *the misuse of prescription medication or nonprescription drug products;*
- *inappropriate use of hazardous inhalants (for example, huffing) and the possession of paraphernalia associated with the inappropriate use of hazardous inhalants.*

If a designated school official or law enforcement officer has reasonable suspicion that the student is under the influence of alcohol in violation of this policy, a student may be required to submit to a breath test to determine the presence of alcohol. Such test shall be administered by a law enforcement officer or trained school official and shall meet state law requirements. A student may be subject to further disciplined for refusing to submit to a required breath test.

Students who violate this policy will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including student suspension and/or expulsion, and referral to law enforcement authorities. When applicable, additional consequences will be administered in conjunction with the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Code as well as the District Codes related to athletics, clubs and co-curricular activities. In all cases, the student shall be referred to supports in the community. Community support is designed to educate, assist and support students who have alcohol and other controlled substances-related concerns.

A copy of this policy and related disciplinary procedures shall be made available to students and their parents/guardians annually through the student handbook and/or through other means deemed appropriate by the building principal.

Students violating this policy will be disciplined in accordance with District established consequences and, when applicable, the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Code, and shall also be referred to the local police for possible legal intervention.

Legal

[Section 118.01\(2\)\(d\) \[instruction on the effects of alcohol and controlled substances use, including prescription drugs, and drug abuse awareness and prevention\]](#)

[Section 118.126 \[privileged communication related to student alcohol/controlled substances use\]](#)

[Section 118.24\(2\)\(f\) \[dissemination of information regarding alcohol and drug abuse services and related referrals\]](#)

[Section 118.257 \[liability exemption for referral to law enforcement officials and removal from school premises/activities for alcohol and other controlled substances\]](#)

[Section 118.45 \[tests for alcohol; policy required\]](#)

[Section 120.13\(1\) \[school board power to adopt student conduct rules and discipline students\]](#)

[Section 125.09\(2\) \[possession of alcohol on school grounds prohibited\]](#)

[Section 939.22\(15\) \[definition of hazardous inhalant\]](#)

[Chapter 961 \[controlled substances laws\]](#)