

DUDLEY-CHARLTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drug Use by Students Prohibited

The Dudley-Charlton Regional School Committee prohibits the use of, serving of, consumption of any alcoholic beverages, any tobacco product or nicotine delivery system including a vapor/E-cigarette device; marijuana; steroids; or the unauthorized consumption of any controlled substance at a school function, within our school buildings, on school grounds, on school buses or school provided transportation.

A student shall not, regardless of quantity, use, consume, possess, purchase, sell, or give away any beverage containing alcohol; any tobacco product or nicotine delivery system including a vapor/E-cigarette device; marijuana; steroids; or any controlled substance within our school buildings, on school grounds, on school buses or school provided transportation

Additionally, any student who is under the influence of drugs or alcohol prior to attendance at, or participation in, school-sponsored activity will be barred from that activity and subject to disciplinary action as outlined in the student handbook

It shall be the policy of the Dudley-Charlton Regional School District to permit the use of a breathalyzer to detect alcohol use at any school related function deemed appropriate by the building principal.

An administrative conference with the student and his or her parent(s) or caregiver(s) must take place before the student is readmitted. Conditions must be established and made clear to the student before readmission. Readmission will include evidence that steps have been or are being taken to seek solutions to the problems which were the basis of the suspension.

This policy shall be posted on the district's website and notice shall be provided to all students and parents/caregivers of this policy in accordance with state law. Additionally, the district shall file a copy of this policy with the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) in accordance with law in a manner requested by DESE.

LEGAL REFS.: MGL 71:96; 272:40A; MGL 71:37H

CROSS REFS.: IHAMA, Teaching About Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco; ADCA, Drug Free Workplace Policy

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