

# NEWPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: TOBACCO USE

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523. TOBACCO USE	
1. Purpose	The Board recognizes that tobacco use during school hours and on school property presents a health and safety hazard that can have serious consequences for the user and the nonuser and the safety of the schools.
2. Definition 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6306.1	For purposes of this policy, <b>tobacco use</b> shall mean all use of tobacco, including cigars, cigarettes, pipes and smokeless tobacco.
3. Authority 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7181 et seq 35 P.S. 1223.5	<p>The Board prohibits tobacco use by classified employees in a school building and on any property, buses, vans and vehicles that are owned, leased, or controlled by the school district.</p> <p>The Board prohibits tobacco use by classified employees at school sponsored activities that are held off school property.</p>
4. Guidelines	<p>The Director of Special Services shall annually notify employees about the district's tobacco use policy by publishing such in handbooks, newsletters, posted notices, and other efficient methods.</p> <p>Employees in violation of this policy will be subject to the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <b>First Offense</b> - a written letter of reprimand will be given to the employee.</li><li>2. <b>Second Offense</b> - a suspension of one (1) day without pay will be given to the employee.</li><li>3. <b>Subsequent offenses</b> will be dealt with accordingly.</li></ol> <p>A violation of this policy shall be punishable by a civil fine of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00).</p>

SC 1303-A	Incidents of possession, use and sale of tobacco by any person on school property shall be reported to the Office of Safe Schools on the required form at least once each year.
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