

Series 400 – Employees

Policy Title: SUBSTANCE-FREE WORKPLACE

Policy Code No. 403.5

The board expects the school district and its employees to remain substance free. No employee will unlawfully manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess, use, or be under the influence of, in the workplace, any narcotic drug, hallucinogenic drug, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana or any other controlled substance or alcoholic beverage as defined by federal or state law. “Workplace” includes school district facilities, school district premises or school district vehicle. A “workplace” also includes non-school property if the employee is at any school-sponsored, school-approved or school related activity, event or function, such as field trips or athletic events where students are under the control of the school district or where the employee is engaged in school district business.

If an employee is convicted of a violation of any criminal drug offense committed in the workplace the employee will notify the employee’s supervisor of the conviction within five days of the conviction.

The superintendent will make the determination whether to require the employee to undergo substance abuse treatment or to discipline the employee. An employee who violates the terms of this policy may be subject to discipline up to and including termination. If the employee fails to successfully participate in a program, the employee may be subject to discipline up to and including termination.

The Superintendent is responsible for publication and dissemination of this policy to each employee. In addition, the Superintendent will oversee the establishment of a substance-free awareness program to educate employees about the dangers of substance abuse and notify them of available substance abuse treatment programs.

It is the responsibility of the Superintendent to develop administrative regulations to implement this policy.

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