

School District No. 22 (Vernon)

POLICY

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No. 8.12.0

Adopted: December 18, 2007
Amended:

Smoking and Smoke Free Space

The Board of Trustees and the Province of British Columbia (Bill 10, the Tobacco Sales Amendment Act, 2007) prohibits tobacco use and smoking in all its forms, from district premises, property and vehicles.

Ceremonial use of tobacco where the activity has been approved by the Board and the ceremony is performed in relation to a traditional aboriginal cultural activity, or performed by a group for a purpose approved by government regulation is exempted from this policy.

The Superintendent of Schools, or designate, is responsible for the administration of this policy. The Board delegates to the Superintendent or designate the authority to develop regulations and procedures.

Regulations:

1. Appropriate signs shall be posted in all District facilities.
2. **School codes of conduct will include expectations of this policy.**
3. Students who violate this policy will be subject to progressive discipline.
4. This policy applies to all school sponsored activities such as field trips.
5. Employees and volunteers in the presence of students when involved in field trips, competitive events, extra-curricular activities or any other work related activities will not smoke or use tobacco products.
6. Community members or groups who violate this policy while renting or otherwise using school buildings or properties may lose the privilege of using school buildings and properties.
7. School Principals, Supervisors, and District Office Managers are responsible for ensuring this policy is **communicated and** enforced.

References: Tobacco Control Act

Cross Reference: 8.4.0 Public Use of School Facilities
9.14.0 Code of Conduct

