

1 Unauthorized or illegal drugs and alcohol are a threat to safe and orderly schools and will not be
2 tolerated. The superintendent is responsible for ensuring that this policy is consistently applied
3 throughout the school system.
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5 This policy applies to students while on school property or at a school-sponsored event or
6 activity (whether on or off school property) and at any other time or place where the conduct is
7 reasonably expected to have a direct and immediate impact on the orderly and efficient operation
8 of the schools or the safety of individuals in the school environment.
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10 **A. PROHIBITED BEHAVIOR**
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- 12 1. Students are prohibited from possessing, using, selling, delivering, manufacturing,
13 or being under the influence of any of the following substances:
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15 a. narcotic drugs;
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17 b. hallucinogenic drugs;
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19 c. amphetamines;
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21 d. barbiturates;
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23 e. marijuana;
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25 f. synthetic stimulants, such as MDPV and mephedrone (e.g., “bath salts”),
26 and synthetic cannabinoids (e.g., “Spice,” “K2”);
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28 g. any other controlled substance;
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30 h. any alcoholic beverage, malt beverage, fortified or unfortified wine, or
31 other intoxicating liquor;
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33 i. any chemicals, substances, or products procured or used with the intention
34 of bringing about a state of exhilaration or euphoria or of otherwise
35 altering the student’s mood or behavior; or
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37 j. any substance causing impairment including any substance containing
38 cannabidiol (CBD) or tetrahydrocannabinol (TCH), regardless of whether
39 it constitutes a controlled substance under state or federal law.
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41 2. Students also are prohibited from possessing, using, selling, delivering, or
42 manufacturing counterfeit (fake) drugs.
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- 44 3. Students are prohibited from possessing, using, selling, delivering, or
45 manufacturing drug paraphernalia, including but not limited to rolling papers,
46 roach clips, lighters, matches, vaping devices, vape liquid containers, pipes,
47 syringes, and other delivery devices for prohibited substances.
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- 49 4. Students are prohibited from possessing, using, selling, delivering, or sharing
50 prescription or over-the-counter drugs, except in accordance with policy 6125,
51 Administering Medicines to Students. A student who possesses or uses a
52 prescription or over-the-counter drug in accordance with policy 6125 does not
53 violate this policy.
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- 55 5. A student is not in violation of this policy for being under the influence of a
56 prohibited substance following its proper use as a medication lawfully prescribed
57 for the student by a licensed health care practitioner.
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- 59 6. Students may not participate in any way in the selling or delivering of prohibited
60 substances, regardless of whether the sale or delivery ultimately occurs on school
61 property.
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- 63 7. The principal may authorize lawful uses of substances that are otherwise
64 prohibited by this policy for legitimate curriculum-related purposes, such as for
65 the use of matches or lighters in approved chemistry or other school projects.
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67 B. CONSEQUENCES

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69 As required by policy 4335, Criminal Behavior, the principal must report to the
70 appropriate law enforcement agency any student who has used or possessed a controlled
71 substance in violation of law while on school property.
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73 All violations of this policy shall be considered “serious violations” of the Code of
74 Student Conduct, and the disciplinary consequences for such violations will be consistent
75 with Section D.2 of policy 4300, Student Behavior Policies. The superintendent or
76 designee shall list in the Code of Student Conduct the specific range of consequences that
77 may be imposed on a student for violations of this policy.
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79 Legal References: G.S. 18B-301; 20-11(n1); ch. 90 art. 5 and art. 5B; 115C-47, -276, -288, -307,
80 -390.2, -407

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82 Cross References: Student Behavior Policies (policy 4300), Random Drug Testing of Students
83 (policy 4326), Criminal Behavior (policy 4335), Administering Medicines to Students (policy
84 6125)

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