It is the policy of the Transylvania County Board of Education that a drug-free workplace shallbe maintained.

The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance on any property owned by the Board and at any time in which an individual employee is actingin the course and scope of his/her employment with the Board is prohibited.

Responsible use of legal drugs, prescriptive and over-the-counter, is expected of employees.

Action on the part of an employee to seek help for an alcohol/drug problem shall be viewed as responsible. The administration shall give moral support and shall work with the individual who has enrolled in a rehabilitation or cessation program. All costs associated with an employee's compliance with this policy shall be borne by the employee.

Employees will be given information about any drug and alcohol counseling, rehabilitation and re-entry programs that are available.

Verification of sick leave or personal illness may be required according to policy GCBD.

Violation of this policy shall subject an individual to disciplinary action by the Board which could result in termination of employment.

Upon adoption of this policy and/or upon initial employment, employees will be given a copy of this policy and its sanctions.

Any employee who is arrested for a work or non-work related drug or alcohol related violationshall report this fact, in writing, to the Assistant Superintendent within five (5) calendar daysafter such arrest.

Effective January 1, 1995, Transylvania County Schools will comply with the regulations found in Title 49, the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 382, entitled "Controlled Substances & Alcohol Use and Testing," and Part 49, entitled "Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug-Testing Programs." Procedures and implications are outlined in Policy GBCC/GBP-R.

Employees will be notified that compliance with the standards set forth in this policy ismandatory.

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