

WALLINGFORD- SWARTHMORE SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: EMPLOYEES

TITLE: TOBACCO

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323. TOBACCO	
<p>1. Purpose</p>	<p>The Board recognizes that tobacco presents a health and safety hazard that can have serious consequences for the user and the nonuser and the safety of the schools.</p>
<p>2. Definition 35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5</p>	<p>For purposes of this policy, tobacco includes a lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, pipe or other smoking product or material and smokeless tobacco in any form.</p>
<p>3. Authority 35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7183</p>	<p>The Board prohibits tobacco use by administrative, professional and 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>35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5</p>	<p>The Board prohibits tobacco use by district employees at school-sponsored activities that are held off school property.</p>
<p>35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5</p>	<p>The Board encourages district personnel to break their dependence on tobacco through voluntary participation in a recognized educational program designed to assist the individuals to stop smoking or other tobacco use.</p>
<p>4. Guidelines SC 1302.1-A, 1303-A Title 22 Sec. 10.2, 10.22 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6305 Pol. 805.1</p>	<p>The district shall annually notify employees about the Board's tobacco policy by distributing it through handbooks, newsletters, posted notices, and other efficient methods.</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee may report incidents involving the sale of tobacco to minors by employees on school property, at any school-sponsored activity or on a conveyance providing transportation to or from a school or school-sponsored activity to the local police department that has jurisdiction over the school's property, in accordance with state law and regulations, the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement and Board policies.</p>

<p>SC 1303-A Pol. 805.1</p> <p>5. Delegation of Responsibility Pol. 317</p>	<p>In accordance with state law, the Superintendent shall annually, by July 31, report incidents of possession, use or sale of tobacco on school property to the Office for Safe Schools on the required form.</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee shall develop administrative procedures to implement this policy, which include educational measures designed to prevent smoking and tobacco use, measures to assist smokers and users of tobacco in breaking their dependency in this area, and the adoption of appropriate disciplinary measures for those who violate this policy.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1302.1-A, 1303-A</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 10.2, 10.22</p> <p>Sale of Tobacco – 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6305</p> <p>School Tobacco Control – 35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5</p> <p>Pro-Children Act of 2001 – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7181 et seq.</p> <p>Board Policy – 317, 805.1</p>
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