

DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE BY STUDENTS

Dangerous and narcotic drugs, which a student has on prescription and carries onto school property for ingestion as prescribed by a doctor, will be kept in the Nurse's or Principal's office.

Taking of illegal drugs, and/or possession of same, in any form, is not permitted at any time. Parents will be informed immediately if a student is in violation of this policy, and the matter will be brought to the attention of the Board and other proper authorities.

- a. In case a student appears to be under drug influence, the parent will be notified by school authorities to come for the student and remove him/her to his home or to medical facilities.
- b. In severe cases, if the parents or school doctor will not come to the school, the Principal is authorized to call an ambulance to remove the Student to the hospital. Parents will be notified of this action and be responsible for the incurred expenses.
- c. Upon reasonable evidence of the illegal possession and/or use of drugs by any student on District property, the student will be suspended from school for at least five days. A conference with the parents, child and principal should be held as soon as possible.
- d. Any student found selling, distributing, or giving away illegal drugs will be turned over to police authorities immediately and suspended from school at once pending Board action.
- e. Any student convicted in court for illegally selling drugs on or off school property will be suspended from school pending Board action.

Controlled drugs are defined to be those drugs prohibited by New Hampshire State Law as defined in RSA Ch. 318-B. Alcoholic beverages will not be permitted on school property at any time. Any Student in possession of or under the influence of alcohol will be immediately suspended from school for not less than five days. The New Hampshire State Statute states: "No persona shall drink or have in his possession any intoxicating beverage while in attendance as a spectator or otherwise at any place where a school interscholastic contest is being conducted. Whoever violates the provisions of this section shall be fined not more than fifty dollars or imprisoned for not more than thirty days or both."

Legal Reference:

21 U.S.C. {812(c), controlled substances act
RSA 318-C, Controlled Drug Act
RSA 571-C:2, Intoxicating Beverages at Interscholastic Athletic Contests

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