Tobacco Products, Devices, E-Cigarettes, and E-Liquid Ban Use and Possession In and On School Facilities, Grounds, and Vehicles

No person shall use any tobacco product, device, e-cigarette, or e-liquid in any school facility, grounds, and/or vehicles.
"Tobacco products" mean cigarettes, smoking tobacco, cigars, snuff, smokeless tobacco, chewing tobacco, smokeless cigarettes, pipe tobacco, e-cigarettes, vapes, products containing tobacco, and tobacco in any other form.

"E-cigarette" means any electronic smoking device composed of a mouthpiece, a heating element, a battery, and electronic circuits that may or may not contain nicotine or e-liquid. E-cigarette includes such devices whether they are manufactured as e-cigarettes, e-cigars, or e-pipes, or under any other product name.

"E-liquid" means any liquid, oil, or wax product containing, but not limited to, nicotine or cannabis intended for use in devices used for inhalation.

"Device" means any product composed of a mouthpiece, a heating element, a battery, and electronic circuits designed or used to deliver any aerosolized or vaporized substance including, but not limited to, nicotine or cannabis. Device may include, but is not limited to, hookah, e-cigarette, e-cigar, e-pipe, vape pen, or e-hookah.

Facility is any place that is supported by public funds and that is used for the instruction of students enrolled in the school. This definition shall include all administrative buildings and offices and areas within facilities supportive of instruction and subject to educational administration including, but not limited to, lounge areas, passageways, restrooms, laboratories, study areas, classrooms, cafeterias, gymnasiums, maintenance rooms, and storage areas. Signs shall be placed by *Next* Charter School in all buildings, facilities, and school vehicles stating that the use of tobacco products, devices, e-cigarettes, or e-liquids are prohibited.

It is the responsibility of the building administrators to initially enforce this policy by requesting that any person who is violating this policy to immediately cease the use of banned products. After this request is made, if any person refuses to refrain from using products in violation of this policy, the administrator or designee may call the local police who shall then be responsible for all enforcement proceedings and applicable fines and penalties.

<u>Students</u>

No student shall purchase, attempt to purchase, possess, distribute or use any banned products in any facility, in any school vehicle, or anywhere on school grounds maintained by Next Charter School.

Enforcement of this prohibition shall initially rest with building administration or their designees, who may report any violation to the local police department. In accordance with state law, the police shall be responsible for all proceedings and applicable fines and penalties.

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The administration will develop regulations which cover disciplinary action to be taken for violations of this policy. These regulations will be communicated to students by means deemed appropriate by the administration. In addition to disciplinary actions taken by the school, criminal penalties or fines may result from violations of this policy.

Employees

No employee shall use any banned product in any school vehicle or anywhere on school grounds.

Initial responsibility for enforcement of this prohibition shall rest with building administration, or its designees. The administration may report violations to the local police department. In accordance with state law, the police shall be responsible for all proceedings, fines and penalties.

The administration will develop and implement the appropriate means of notifying employees of the possible disciplinary consequences of violating this policy. Any employee(s) who violate this policy is subject to disciplinary action which may include warning, suspension, or dismissal. In addition, fines or other penalties may result from enforcement of these prohibitions by other law enforcement officials.

All Other Persons

No visitor shall at any time use banned products in any facility, in any school vehicle, or anywhere on school grounds, including school trips and events.

Responsibility for enforcement of this prohibition shall rest with all school employees who may report violations to the local police department. In accordance with state law, the police department shall be responsible for all proceeding and applicable fines and penalties.

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