

Administrative Regulation (AR)
Business and Noninstructional Operations
AR 3513.3(a)
Tobacco-Free Schools

Notifications

The following enclosed optional section is most relevant to districts receiving Tobacco-Use Prevention Education (TUPE) funds and may be revised to reflect district practice.

Information about the district's tobacco-free schools policy and enforcement procedures shall be communicated clearly to employees, parents/guardians, students, and the community. (*Health and Safety Code 104420*)

(*cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications*)
(*cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications*)

The Superintendent or designee may disseminate this information through annual written notifications, district and school web sites, student and parent handbooks, and/or other appropriate methods of communication.

(*cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites*)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that signs stating "Tobacco use is prohibited" are prominently displayed at all entrances to school property. (*Health and Safety Code 104420, 104559*)

Enforcement/Discipline

Any employee or student who violates the district's tobacco-free schools policy shall be asked to refrain from smoking and shall be subject to disciplinary action as appropriate.

(*cf. 4118 - Suspension/Disciplinary Action*)
(*cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action*)
(*cf. 5144 - Discipline*)
(*cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process*)

Any other person who violates the district's policy on tobacco-free schools shall be informed of the district's policy and asked to refrain from smoking. If the person fails to comply with this request, the Superintendent or designee may:

1. Direct the person to leave school property
2. Request local law enforcement assistance in removing the person from school premises
3. If the person repeatedly violates the tobacco-free schools policy, prohibit him/her from entering district property for a specified period of time

(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders)

(cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)

The Superintendent or designee shall not be required to physically eject a nonemployee who is smoking or to request that the nonemployee refrain from smoking under circumstances involving a risk of physical harm to the district or any employee. (Labor Code 6404.5)

Policy Reference UPDATE Service

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