



Book	Policy Manual
Section	300 Employees
Title	Tobacco Use
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Purpose

The Board recognizes that tobacco use during school hours and on school property presents a health and safety hazard that can have serious consequences for the user and the nonuser and the safety of the schools.

Definition

For purposes of this policy, **tobacco use** shall mean all use of tobacco, including cigars, cigarettes, pipes and smokeless tobacco.[\[1\]](#)

Authority

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.[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)

The Board prohibits tobacco use by district employees at school-sponsored activities that are held off school property.[\[1\]](#)

The district shall annually notify employees about the Board's tobacco use policy by distributing it through handbooks, newsletters, posted notices, and other efficient methods.[\[1\]](#)

Incidents of possession, use and sale of tobacco by any person on school property shall be reported to the Office of Safe Schools on the required form at least once each year.[\[3\]](#)

Legal	1. 35 P.S. 1223.5
	2. 20 U.S.C. 7183
	3. 24 P.S. 1303-A
	20 U.S.C. 7181 et seq