

Substance Abuse Program Procedures

Actions taken by staff in dealing with student use of alcohol and the use and abuse of controlled illegal, addictive or harmful substances will have as their first concern the welfare of the student involved and the other students in the school. Appropriate disciplinary action will be taken when laws or school regulations are violated. Law enforcement agencies will be called upon for investigative and consultative assistance where illegal drug or alcohol activity has occurred. Parent notification will also occur.

Prevention

The prevention program shall include classroom instruction, guidance services and information about approved outside resources.

Instruction

This dimension of the prevention program shall focus on:

- A. The effects of addictive substances such as alcohol, drugs and nicotine upon the body.
- B. Skill development related to self-esteem, goal-setting, decision-making, conflict management, problem solving, refusal and communication.

Guidance Services

When appropriate, staff shall meet with students to supplement addictive substance prevention, instruction and skill development. Staff will also assist parents to maximize the prevention efforts of the school.

Intervention

The goal of the intervention program shall be to eliminate use of alcohol and the use and abuse of controlled, illegal, addictive or harmful substance abuse by students. To this end, the school will encourage education and/or prevention promotions programs that increase the awareness of the effects of substance abuse.

Corrective Action

If a student appears at school or at a school-sponsored function demonstrating behavior which indicates that he/she may be under the influence of an addictive substance(s) and/or admits to an administrator that he/she is under the influence of an addictive substance(s), the school will take action in keeping with School Board Policy #3200.