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DRUG FREE SCHOOLS

Maintaining drug-free schools is important in establishing an appropriate learning environment for the district's students. Unless otherwise specified in this policy, the possession, use, sale, distribution, and/or being under the influence of illicit drugs, controlled substances and/or alcohol by students or school employees at school, on or in school property, or at school sponsored activities or events is prohibited.

Possession, use, and/or being under the influence of a controlled substance by a student for the purpose of this policy shall only be permitted if such substance was:

1. Obtained directly from, or pursuant to a valid prescription or order, issued to such student from a person licensed by the state to dispense, prescribe, or administer controlled substances;
2. In the case of use or possession, approved and administered, if administered at all, in accordance with board policy E14; and
3. Used, if at all, in accordance with label directions.

STUDENT CONDUCT

As a condition of continued enrollment in the district, students shall abide by the terms of this policy.

Students shall not manufacture, sell, distribute, dispense, possess, use, and/or be under the influence of illicit drugs, controlled substances, or alcoholic beverages at school, on or in school district property, or at any school activity, program or event.

Any student violating the terms of this policy will be reported to the appropriate law enforcement officials, and will be subject to the following sanctions:

First Offense. A first time violator shall be subject to the following:

- (a) A punishment up to and including short-term suspension;

- (b) Suspension from all student activities for a period of not less than one month.

Second Offense. A second time violator shall be subject to the following sanctions:

- (a) A punishment up to and including long term suspension;
- (b) Suspension from all student activities for a period of not less than one semester or four months.
- (c) A student placed on long term suspension under this policy may be readmitted on a probationary status if the student agrees to complete a drug and alcohol rehabilitation program. Name(s) of acceptable programs are on file with the Board Clerk.

If at any time the student fails to make satisfactory progress in the program, the suspension shall be reinstated.

Third and Subsequent Offenses. A student who violates the terms of this policy for the third time, and any subsequent violations, shall be subject to the following sanctions:

- (a) Expulsion from school for the remainder of the school year;
- (b) Suspension from participation in the attendance at all school activities for the year.
- (c) A student who is expelled from school under the terms of this policy may be readmitted during the term of the expulsion only if the student has completed a drug and alcohol education and rehabilitation program.

Students who are suspended or expelled under the terms of this policy will be afforded the due process rights contained in the Board Policies and Kansas Statutes, K.S.A. 72-6114, et seq. Nothing in this policy is intended to diminish the ability of the district to take other disciplinary action against the student in accordance with other policies governing student discipline. If a student agrees to enter and complete a drug education or rehabilitation program, the cost of such program will be borne by the student and his or her parents.

A list of area drug and alcohol counseling and rehabilitation programs, along with names and addresses of contact persons for the programs, is on file with the building principal. Parents or students should contact the directors of the programs to determine the cost and length of the program.

A copy of this policy will be provided to all students, and the parents of all students. Parents of all students will be notified that compliance with this policy is mandatory.