5.22  TOBACCO AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS

Fayetteville Public Schools shall be a Tobacco Free Environment.

This policy shall apply to:

- All buildings, facilities, grounds, and properties including athletic fields and parking lots under the jurisdiction of Fayetteville Public Schools
- All District owned school buses and district owned vehicles
- All students on school district property
- All school sponsored or school related events on or off campus

Tobacco products may be included in instructional activities in public school buildings if the activity is conducted or supervised by the faculty member overseeing the instruction and the activity does not include smoking, chewing, or otherwise ingesting the tobacco product.

For the purposes of this policy, “tobacco” product” is defined to include lighted or unlighted cigarettes, cigars, pipes, chewing tobacco, snuff, and any other items containing or reasonably resembling tobacco or tobacco products including E-cigarettes or electronic oral devices.

Tobacco promotional items, including clothing, bags, lighters, gear, paraphernalia, or other personal articles, are not permitted on school grounds, in school vehicles, or at school sponsored events. Tobacco advertising, sponsorship, marketing or giveaways shall be prohibited in all school sponsored publications and at all school sponsored events.

Tobacco use prevention education shall be integrated within the preK-12th grade health education program to provide opportunities for students to gain greater understanding of the health hazards of tobacco use and the impact of tobacco use.

Students who are in violation of this policy will be referred to a tobacco cessation program, will be subject to the student disciplinary policies and may be subject to legal proceedings. All other violators of this policy will be subject to legal proceedings per Arkansas Statute.

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