Policy

**DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE BY STUDENTS**

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No student, regardless of age, will possess, use, sell, purchase, barter, distribute, or be under the influence of alcoholic beverages or controlled or unauthorized substances in the following circumstances:

* on school property (including buildings, grounds, vehicles)
* at any school-sponsored activity, function, or event whether on or off school grounds (including any location where an interscholastic athletic contest is taking place)
* en route to or from or during any field trip, or during any trip or activity sponsored by the board or under the supervision of the board or its authorized agents

No student will aid, abet, assist, or conceal the possession, consumption, purchase, or distribution of any alcoholic beverage or controlled or unauthorized substances by any other student or students in any of the circumstances listed above.

No student will market or distribute any substance which is represented to be or is substantially similar in color, shape, size, or markings to a controlled or unauthorized substance or to an alcoholic beverage in any of the circumstances listed above.

All principals will cooperate fully with law enforcement agencies and will report to them all information that would be considered pertinent or beneficial in their efforts to stop the sale, possession, and use of alcoholic beverages and controlled or unauthorized substances.

Principals will suspend students who violate this policy and may recommend them for expulsion. The board intends to expel all students who distribute any controlled or unauthorized substance on school grounds.

Adopted ^

Legal References:

1. S.C. Constitution:
2. Article XVII, Section 14 - Must be over 21 to possess distilled liquors.
3. S.C. Code of Laws, 1976, as amended:
4. Section 16-17-530 - Students who come to school in an intoxicated condition, or conduct themselves in a disorderly or boisterous manner, could be arrested for a misdemeanor.
5. Section 44-49-80 - Establishment of drug abuse intervention, prevention, and treatment services in public schools.
6. Section 44-53-110 - Definitions; lists of illicit drugs.
7. Section 44-53-440 - Distribution of controlled substances to persons under 18 prohibited.