

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE 410 SMOKE/TOBACCO AND E-CIGARETTE (VAPOUR) – FREE ENVIRONMENT

The District recognizes the dangers to health from smoking, the use of tobacco products, second-hand smoke and e-cigarette (vapour) products. Each student and employee should have the opportunity for full participation in instruction and employment in a smoke/tobacco/vapour-free environment.

The Tobacco and Vapour Products Control Act 2016 prohibits smoking, using tobacco, or holding lighted tobacco, in or on school property except for the purposes outlined in section 2.2(3) of the *Tobacco and Vapour Products Control Act 2016*. The Act also prohibits the use of an e-cigarette or holding an activated e-cigarette on school property.

1. All school district buildings, vehicles and properties will be smoke, tobacco and e-cigarette vapour free. Smoking and the use of other tobacco/vapour products is not permitted in private vehicles on school district property or at school/district sponsored events off school property. All district school property will have signage posted banning the smoking of tobacco and e-cigarettes.
2. Information regarding the hazards of smoking, the dangers of second-hand smoke, the use of tobacco products and e-cigarettes will be an integral part of district communication and education programs.
3. Enforcement of this administrative procedure with students will be within the context of the school code of conduct and will focus on educating students and families about negative health impacts of tobacco and vapour product use. Enforcement can involve the services of the regional health authority.
4. Violations of this administrative procedure by staff may result in disciplinary action.
5. Visitors who violate this administrative procedure will be told to refrain from the conduct or leave the premises.