

POLICY

Board of Education Bernards Township

File Code: M 7434
SMOKING ON SCHOOL PREMISES

The Board of Education believes that the right of persons to smoke must be balanced against the right of those who do not smoke to breathe air untainted by tobacco smoke. In order to protect pupils and employees who choose not to smoke from an environment noxious to them and potentially damaging to their health, the Board prohibits smoking on school premises. Notice of this policy shall be given at each school entrance in accordance with law.

The principal of each school building is authorized to report violations to the Superintendent and in accordance with law, to the Board of Health. Pupils and District employees who violate the provisions of this policy shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary measures.

Definition: For purposes of this policy, "smoking" means the burning of a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or any other matter or substance which contains tobacco. Use of smokeless tobacco products are also specifically prohibited by this policy.

No individual or group will be allowed to use School District property who does not agree to adopt and enforce this policy.

LEGAL: N.J.S.A. 26:3D - 15 through 21

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