

WASHINGTON NORTHEAST SUPERVISORY UNION

CABOT SCHOOL – TWINFIELD UNION SCHOOL

POLICY E8

TOBACCO PROHIBITION

Policy

It is the policy of the Washington Northeast Supervisory Union and the Twinfield Union School and Cabot School Districts to prohibit the use of tobacco on supervisory union or school grounds in accordance with state law. This ban extends to any student, employee or visitor to the school, and applies at all times, whether or not school is in session. Students are, furthermore, prohibited from possessing tobacco products, tobacco substitutes or tobacco paraphernalia at all times while under the supervision of school staff or at school sponsored activities. The Superintendent or his or her designee shall develop procedures, rules and regulations that are necessary to implement this policy and, at a minimum, will include provisions ensuring that tobacco products, tobacco substitutes or tobacco paraphernalia are confiscated when found in the possession of students and that referrals to law enforcement agencies are made when appropriate.

Definitions

For purposes of this policy and administrative rules and procedures developed pursuant to this policy:

1. **School grounds** means any property and facilities owned or leased by the school and used at any time for school related activities, including but not limited to school buildings, school buses, areas adjacent to school buildings, athletic fields and parking lots.
2. **School sponsored activity** means activities including but not limited to field trips, project graduation events, sporting events, work internships and dances.
3. **Tobacco product** has the same meaning as set forth in 7 V.S.A. 1001(3), as amended from time to time.
4. **Tobacco paraphernalia** has the same meaning as set forth in 7 V.S.A. 1001(7), as amended from time to time.
5. **Tobacco substitutes** has the same meaning as set forth in 7 V.S.A. 1001(8), as amended from time to time.

Legal Reference(s): 16 V.S.A. §140 (Tobacco on school grounds)

*18 V.S.A. §§1421 et seq. (Smoking in the workplace)
7 V.S.A. 1001 et seq.*

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