



Section: PUPILS  
 Title: TOBACCO USE  
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<b>218. TOBACCO USE</b>		
1. Purpose	<p>The Joint Operating Committee recognizes that tobacco use by students presents a health and safety hazard that can have serious consequences for both users and nonusers and the safety and environment of the schools.</p>	
2. Definition	<p>For purposes of this policy, tobacco use shall be defined as use and/or possession of a lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar and pipe; other lighted smoking product; and smokeless tobacco in any form.</p>	<p>18 PA C.S.A. Sec. 6306.1</p>
3. Authority	<p>The Joint Operating Committee prohibits tobacco use and possession by students at any time in a school building and on any property, buses, vans and vehicles that are owned, leased or controlled by the Career and Technology Center.</p> <p>The Joint Operating Committee prohibits tobacco use and possession by students at school sponsored activities that are held off school property.</p> <p>The Career and Technology Center may initiate prosecution of a student who possesses or uses tobacco in violation of this policy.</p>	<p><b>20 U.S.C. Sec. 7181 et seq.</b> Title 22 Sec. 12.3 35 P.S. 1223.5</p>
4. Delegation of Responsibility	<p>The Administrative Director or designee shall annually notify students, parents and staff about the Career and Technology Center's tobacco use policy by publishing such policy in the student handbook and Code of Student Conduct.</p> <p>The Administrative Director or designee shall develop procedures to implement this policy.</p>	<p>18 PA C.S.A. Sec. 6306.1</p>
5. Guidelines	<p>Incidents of possession, use and sale of tobacco in violation of this policy by any person on school property shall be reported to the Office of Safe Schools on the required form at least once each year.</p> <p>A student convicted of possessing or using tobacco in violation of this policy may be fined plus court costs or admitted to alternative adjudication in lieu of imposition of a fine.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Refer to Student Handbook for "Smoking" Notice and Penalties</i></b></p>	<p>SC 1303-A</p> <p>18 PA C.S.A. Sec. 6306.1</p> <p>PA Code Title 22 Sec. 12.3 18 PA C.S.A. Sec. 6306.1 School Code 510, 1303-A 35 P.S. 1223.5 <b>20 U.S.C. Sec. 7181 et seq.</b> <b>20 U.S.C. Sec. 7114</b></p>

