

Administrative Procedure 163

SMOKING

Background

Smoking and the use of all tobacco products is prohibited in all Division buildings and in any vehicle being used to transport students. Students and staff members are prohibited from smoking or using other tobacco products during school activities authorized by the Division. Persons utilizing school facilities in accordance with Administrative Procedure 550 –Use of Facilities are prohibited from smoking or using other tobacco products while on the premises.

Procedures

1. This administrative procedure applies to all students, staff, visitors, contractors and persons having access to facilities through rental agreements.
2. Suitable signs shall be displayed in Division buildings indicating that they are non-smoking areas.
3. All community use agreements shall stipulate compliance with this administrative procedure as a condition of use. Failure to comply shall be cause for cancellation of the agreement.
4. Students are expected to respect the property of neighbours, and must obey laws regarding loitering or littering.
5. Violations of this administrative procedure are considered very seriously and appropriate significant penalties imposed by principals on students and staff are supported. Such penalties may include suspension from school as provided for in the Education Act, progressive discipline as outlined in board policy and administrative procedures, and/or possible fines from a tobacco enforcement officer.
6. This prohibition does not apply to the use of tobacco for ceremonial events.

Reference: Sections 85, 87, 108, 109, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 175 Education Act