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Discipline

Student Drug, Tobacco, and Alcohol Abuse

Drug and Alcohol Abuse

The Board of Education recognizes that drug and alcohol abuse is a growing problem within the elementary and secondary schools of the nation. The Board realizes that drug abuse is a behavioral/medical/emotional problem, as are the problems associated with or resulting from abuse of alcohol.

The Board of Education views communication and cooperation with the home as being essential if the problem is going to be dealt with. In cases when drug abuse is identified at school, the schools will initiate contact and inform the parents. Likewise, parents are encouraged to contact the school with concerns in this area if the problem is suspected or identified at home.

The Board of Education is committed to insuring that all of the schools in the D.C. Everest Area School District be free of drug and alcohol abuse. To accomplish this task, it believes that the problem has to be addressed from all possible avenues; disciplinary approach, educational approach, and assistance approach for those individuals who are having problems with drugs/alcohol.

Tobacco Abuse

D.C. Everest Area School Board believes the development of health education is basic to sound education and productive living. The curriculum will include instruction in the composition, effects, and use of drugs, including alcohol, and tobacco. Evidence indicates that tobacco use starts as early as the fifth and sixth grade. Anti-tobacco education should be enhanced for those students at that level.

To promote further the health and safety of all students and staff, and to promote the cleanliness of facilities, the board prohibits the use of all tobacco products on all school district property and in all school vehicles by all persons at all times.