

**The Village Charter School No. 473**

**STUDENTS**

**3305**

Prohibition of Tobacco Possession and Use

The Board recognizes that tobacco use by students presents a health and safety hazard that can have serious consequences for both users and nonusers and the School environment.

The Board prohibits tobacco use and possession by students at any time in a School building or on any School property; buses (if applicable); vans; or vehicles that are owned, leased, or controlled by the Charter School. Tobacco use and possession by students is also prohibited at School-sponsored activities that are held off School property.

The School may initiate discipline according to the School’s Student Discipline policy and/or prosecution of a student who possesses or uses tobacco in violation of this policy.

Definition

For the purposes of this policy, tobacco use shall be defined as the use and/or possession of a lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, smokeless tobacco in any form, and other smoking products specifically including electronic cigarettes, electronic nicotine delivery systems, or vaporizer smoking devices.

Cross References:     § 3300                             Drug Free School Zone  
                              § 3330                             Student Discipline

Legal References:    I.C. § 39-5703             Prevention of Minors’ Access to Tobacco -  
                              Possession, Distribution or Use by a Minor  
                              I.D.A.P.A. 08.02.03.160   Safe Environment and Discipline

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