

Regulation ADC

Board of Education Las Cruces Public Schools

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Responsible Office: Superintendent

TOBACCO- AND ALCOHOL-FREE SCHOOLS

I. PURPOSE

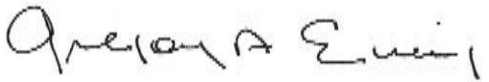
To establish procedures and consequences when anyone on Las Cruces Public Schools (LCPS) property, schools, district vehicles, or off-campus school-sponsored events uses, distributes, or is in possession of tobacco, tobacco products, and alcohol.

II. PROCEDURES

- A. Students, administrators, staff members, and other visitors to school property are subject to New Mexico laws and the Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education (Board) policies and regulations regarding alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs as follows:
 1. Students may not possess, use, or sell tobacco or other smoking products and devices on LCPS property or at off-campus events or activities that are district- or school-sponsored. The ban on the use or possession of tobacco products on school district property shall include all lighted smoking equipment or materials, with or without nicotine, including but not limited to electronic (also known as e-cigs), vapor or e-cigarettes, or any other electrical inhaler that simulates the act of tobacco smoking.
 2. No person may possess, use, or sell alcohol on LCPS property, or off-campus school-sponsored events.
 3. No person may distribute, dispense, or possess with intent to distribute, any alcohol or tobacco products by or to minors on any district property, school buildings, school vehicles, and at off-campus events that are school- or district-sponsored.
- B. The Superintendent, or designee, shall ensure that notices and tobacco-free and alcohol-free designation are prominently posted on all LCPS buildings.
- C. Any and all advertisements of tobacco and alcohol is prohibited on school property and at all school sponsored events. Individuals or organizations requesting the use of any district-owned facilities shall be made aware of this when submitting a building use form by the approving district official.
- D. The Superintendent, or designee, shall advise all personnel involved in

facilitating any school-sponsored events (i.e., athletic events, graduations, concerts, etc.) of the requirement to publicly announce to all in attendance prior to the start of the event that all LCPS properties are tobacco- and alcohol-free.

- E. Annually, all school principals shall ensure that all student-family and employee handbooks include information about the tobacco- and alcohol-free status in all school facilities, school buildings, and school-owned vehicles.
- F. Per the district's wellness policies, referral to resources to help students and staff overcome tobacco or alcohol addictions shall be made available to all students and staff.
- G. The Health Education curriculum shall include prevention education about the health hazards of tobacco use and the impact of tobacco use as it relates to providing a safe, orderly, clean and inviting environment.
- H. School district employees who violate Policy ADC: Tobacco- and Alcohol-Free Schools, shall be subject to further disciplinary action as deemed appropriate by their immediate supervisors and/or the Superintendent of Schools as specified in Policy and regulation GEBC and GEBC-R.
- I. Students who violate this policy and related policies shall be subject to the disciplinary actions outlined in LCPS Policy and Regulation JICH: Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs. Student athletes who violate the LCPS student Extracurricular Code of Conduct and all applicable LCPS policies shall be subject to penalties as outlined in the LCPS Athletics Handbook.



Superintendent of Schools

1-7-2019

Date

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