

## **Tobacco Products and Contractors, Volunteers and Visitors**

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The use and distribution of tobacco products by visitors, including volunteers and contractors, are prohibited during school hours and non-school hours in any District building, on any property owned, leased, or used by the District for any District purpose, in school-owned vehicles or school-approved vehicles used to transport students to and from school or school-related activities (at other sites off school property,) and at any school-sponsored or school-related activity, event or function, such as a field trip or athletic event in which students are under the jurisdiction of school authorities.

Possession of tobacco products by visitors, including volunteers and contractors, which disrupts, impairs, interferes with or obstructs the mission of the District is prohibited.

“Tobacco products” includes cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, chewing tobacco, dipping tobacco, snuff, nicotine, nicotine delivery devices, electronic cigarettes, vaporizers, nicotine delivery devices, liquid nicotine containers, electronic cigarettes, vaporizers, smoking devices, and other chemicals or any other devices that contain tobacco or nicotine, or are designed or manufactured to imitate any of these products, regardless of whether it contains tobacco or nicotine.

Visitors, volunteers and contractors found to have violated this policy will be informed of this policy and requested to comply. If compliance is not achieved, they may be prohibited from remaining on or returning to District property.

### **Reporting**

Volunteers and contractors working with students are encouraged to report known or suspected tobacco product policy violations to a school administrator or his or her Designee as soon as possible on the day of the suspected incident.

### **Communication**

Tobacco-free school signs will be posted in highly visible places outside all District buildings, including schools and administrative offices. Signs will be posted at all entrances to school buildings, school playgrounds and athletic fields. Maintenance staff will be responsible for maintaining signage.

**Legal Reference:** 20 U.S.C.A. § 6083. §24-16-4 NMSA 1978, §30-14-1 NMSA 1978, §30-20-15 NMSA 1978, §30-20-18 NMSA 1978 ,NMAC 6.11.2.9,; NMAC 6.12.4.8