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The Board hereby authorizes the Administration to conduct random drug testing of all students engaged in extra-curricular activities. Further, all students, with the consent of a parent or guardian, may elect to participate in the random testing on a voluntary basis. Eligibility shall apply to the entire academic year. Administrative Regulations (R 2433) cover procedures for conducting these tests and appropriate recourse regarding the results. Design of the program should be consistent with the Board's objectives, which are as follows:

- 1) To promote health and safety;
- 2) To deter drug use, thereby countering peer pressure which may encourage indulgence;
- 3) To encourage students who use alcohol and drugs to participate in rehabilitative programs; and
- 4) Encourage and invite voluntary testing.

Primary emphasis in administering this program should be directed toward deterrent and remediation rather than punishment of students who test positive for illegal drugs or their metabolites. Sanctions and corrective action should be designed accordingly.

This policy and its implementing regulation shall be made available annually, at the beginning of the school year, to all school employees, pupils and parent(s) or legal guardian(s). Each newly hired employee and transferred pupil will be offered this policy and its implementing regulation on his/her arrival in the district.

Definitions:

Drugs - All controlled substances designated and prohibited as stated in HCRHS Substance Abuse Policy # 5520 and New Jersey Statutes: N.J.S.A. 23:21-2, N.J.S.A. 2A170-25.9, N.J.S.A. 2C:35-2.

Alcoholic Beverages - Includes beer, wine, distilled liquors and any other liquid containing alcohol.

Medications - All medications, including over the counter drugs must be properly registered with the school nurse. N.J.S.A. 18A40-12.4. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action.



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Extra Curricular Activities - Any non-credit activity in which a student participates.

Copies of this policy and regulation shall be made available to all students participating in the program and their parents.

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