

**USE OF TOBACCO AND RELATED SMOKING/VAPORIZING PRODUCTS,
J-5**

In compliance with the Alabama Administrative Code 290-030-010-06, it is the policy of the Mountain Brook School System that all persons are at all times prohibited from using tobacco products while in any building or on any Mountain Brook school property. Also prohibited are any and all electronic cigarettes, medically non-prescribed vaporizers, or any device or object used to deliver any medically non-prescribed substance into the body while in any building or on any property belonging to the Mountain Brook School System.

I. STUDENTS

Students are prohibited from using the above-described products while on Mountain Brook school property (indoors or outdoors), during and after school hours, or at any school-sponsored event, during and after school hours.

II. SANCTIONS

A. Students

Disciplinary actions concerning students who violate this policy may include after-school detention, suspension, or assignment to the Alternative School. If any smoking/vaporizing/electronic cigarettes are used by students to deliver substances other than nicotine, the sanctions applied will be consistent with those associated with the nature of the substance.

B. Employees

Sanctions against employees for violating this policy may include verbal or written warning, transfer, suspension, or termination of employment.

C. Visitors

Visitors noted using these products in any school system building or on any school system property will be advised of the policy and asked to desist. If visitors persist, they will be asked to leave school property.

D. Contractors, vendors, and employees of other organizations providing services on or in any school system properties

Contractors, vendors, and employees of other organizations providing services on or in any school system properties noted using these products in any school system building or on any school system property will be advised of the policy and asked to desist. If they persist, they will be asked to leave school property and will be reported to their employer.

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Class I Sanctions

1. Conference with the student
2. Verbal reprimand
3. Withdrawal of privilege(s)
4. Parent conference(s)
5. Temporary removal from class
6. Detention
7. In-school suspension
8. Other sanction(s) as approved by the Board of Education

Class II Violations

- 2.01 Refusal to follow appropriate directive from a school system employee
- 2.02 Vandallism/property damage
- 2.03 Theft of property
- 2.04 Gambling
- 2.05 Possession of stolen property with the knowledge that it is stolen
- 2.06 Sexual harassment
- 2.07 Threats/extortlon
- 2.08 Trespassing
- 2.09 Direct use of profane language or obscene gesture directed toward another person
- 2.10 Repeated direct or non-direct use of profane language or obscene manifestations
- 2.11 Unauthorized absence from school for a day or more
- 2.12 Written or verbal proposition to engage in sexual acts
- 2.13 Inappropriate touching of another person
- 2.14 Possession of and/or use of matches or lighters
- 2.15 Possession, sale, and/or use of a tobacco products, electronic cigarettes, vaporizers, and similar devices (when used only as a substitute for tobacco products).
- 2.16 Dishonesty and cheating
- 2.17 Providing false information to a local board of education employee
- 2.18 Any other violation, which the principal may deem reasonable to fall within this category after investigation and consideration of extenuating circumstances
- 2.19 Bullying, Intimidation, Harassment of Student, mild or moderate or second incident. (Added June 2010)

Contracted Counseling Services- Per a student's individual plan, more intensive individual counseling services may be offered through a district contracted mental health counselor during the student's school day based on a regular schedule.

Mental Health Resource Referrals- The Mountain Brook Schools Mental Health Services Coordinator or school counselor can provide resources to families who are seeking an outside referral to a mental health provider in the local area.

Dispensing Prescription Medication

Mountain Brook students who need to take medication at school may do so only when the appropriate medical form has been completed by the physician and signed by the parent. This form is available at every school and in the office of many pediatricians who serve our students. Medication must be delivered by the parent to the school in the appropriate pharmacy bottle. Any change in medication or dosage necessitates that a new form be completed. Non-prescription medication will not be dispensed by the school.

High school students may administer their own medication for acute illness, if the medicine is prescribed for two weeks or less and if the parent notifies the principal in writing. Controlled substances may not be in the possession of any student, at any time, for any reason. Violation of these procedures may result in a violation of the system Safe and Drug-free policy, necessitating disciplinary action. (Policy J-20; J-28)

Smoking (Tobacco-Free Schools)

All persons are prohibited from using tobacco products on school property. Policies pertaining to this (J2 & J5) are available in the Mountain Brook Schools policy manual. These policies also prohibit use of electronic cigarettes and similar vaporizing products. When students are known to have violated these policies, the disciplinary action will be related to the nature of the substance being used via electronic cigarette or vaporizer.

(Policy J-2, J-5)