St. Clair County Schools

Smoking / Use of Tobacco

Students shall not be permitted to possess or use tobacco in any form on the school grounds or in school buildings during the school day, or when riding school buses to and from school or on a school-sponsored trip. Parental permission to smoke or otherwise use tobacco does not exempt a student from this policy. Professional school personnel shall organize and maintain intensive programs of education designed to make pupils fully aware of the hazards of smoking and use of tobacco.

Students caught possessing or using tobacco in any form on the school grounds are subject to suspension or other appropriate disciplinary action.

CLASS III VIOLATIONS

3.04 Use, possession, and/or sale of tobacco products
   3.04a Possession of tobacco products
   3.04b Sale of tobacco products
   3.04c Use of tobacco products

CLASS III DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS (parental notification required)
Principal’s discretion for the following will include but not be limited to:
   1) Out-of-School suspension
   2) Alternative Education Program
   3) Referral to outside agency, including the criminal justice system
   4) Expulsion
   5) Restitution of property and damages where appropriate
   6) Any sanction(s) included in Class I and Class II and other sanction(s) as approved by the Board of Education

TOBACCO—Employee Policy
It is the policy of the Board to promote the health and safety of all personnel and to promote the cleanliness of all school facilities. To this end, the Board prohibits smoking and the use of tobacco products on school property, including vehicles or at any school activity. Employees shall not smoke or otherwise use any tobacco product at any time while on duty. Employees found in violation of this policy may be subject to discipline up to and including termination.