

## Auburn City Schools

### SMOKING/USE OF TOBACCO

The Board views smoking and other uses of tobacco as being detrimental to health and as being significant contributors to lung and heart diseases.

Students shall not be permitted to smoke 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 violating this policy are subject to suspension or other appropriate disciplinary action.

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**LEGAL REF: Code of Alabama 16-1-30**

4.2.4 Tobacco – The use of tobacco products and the illegal possession, distribution, and sale of tobacco products on school property is prohibited.

a. *Penalties for Violations*

- i. *Students* – Students who violate the tobacco prohibition will be disciplined in accordance with the Board’s Code of Student Conduct.
- ii. *Employees* – Employees who violate the tobacco prohibition will be subject to adverse personnel action, which may include termination.
- iii. *Other Persons* – Other persons who violate the tobacco prohibition may be denied re-entry to school property.

b. *Parental Notification* – Parents and guardians may be notified of actual or suspect violations of the tobacco prohibition whether or not the student is charged with a violation of Board policy, which includes the Code of Student Conduct.