

**ONEONTA
CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, AND OTHER DRUGS (ATOD)

POLICY 706.1:

Students shall not be permitted to smoke or use tobacco in any form on the school grounds, or in school buildings, 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. Students who violate this policy are subject to suspension or other appropriate disciplinary action according to the Student Handbook.

It shall be the policy of the Oneonta City Board of Education that the school principal or authorized official of the school shall automatically suspend any student found in possession of, or in the act of using:

- (a) alcohol
- (b) marijuana
- (c) drugs (e.g. stimulants, depressants, hallucinogens or opiates) for which the student has no prescription from a duly recognized physician.

The school principal or authorized official of the school shall automatically suspend any student who is caught selling ATOD to others.

The policies in this section apply when the act(s) take place at school, on school grounds, on school buses and/or at any school-sponsored event, during or after regular school hours. Recommendation for expulsion may be made if the situation warrants.

The Principal shall immediately notify the parents or guardians of the student by telephone. If the parents or guardians cannot be reached by phone, the Principal shall then notify them of the action by sending a letter within 24 hours. Care shall be given to afford due process to all students.

Persons, firms, corporations, or associations who knowingly sell, give, or otherwise dispense any ATOD to a school student under the age of eighteen (18) years or who have sold ATOD on school premises shall be liable for prosecution under Code of Alabama (16-1-10).

Any person who violates the provisions of this policy concerning ATOD may be arrested on the appropriate warrant, signed by the appropriate school authority.

If, pursuant to a Board hearing, any person is found guilty of violating this policy, such person shall not be admitted to school until any criminal charges or offenses arising from such conduct have been disposed of by proper authorities, and such violator(s) have satisfied all other requirements imposed by the Board as a condition for readmission.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Legal Ref. Code of Alabama, 16-1-10; 16-1-14; 16-1-24.1; 16-4-13; 16-11-9; 16-11-9; 16-12-1 to -6; 16-41-1 to -10;

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