4.9--Tobacco and Tobacco Products

Smoking or use of tobacco or products containing tobacco in any form (including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, chewing tobacco, and snuff) in or on any real property owned or leased by a District school, including school buses owned or leased by the District, is prohibited. Students who violate this policy may be subject to legal proceedings in addition to student disciplinary measures.

With the exception of recognized tobacco cessation products, this policy's prohibition includes using or being in the possession of any tobacco or nicotine delivery system or product. Specifically, the prohibition includes any product that is manufactured, distributed, marketed, or sold as e-cigarettes, e-cigars, e-pipes, or under any other name or descriptor.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Verbal reprimand by school employee. MAXIMUM PENALTY: Expulsion from school and filing of appropriate legal charges.

The delivery device or instrument will be destroyed as provided in ACA. §5-78-102 (2015).

Any delivery device or instrument found in the possession of a student 18 years or older will be confiscated until the end of the school year.

The Van Buren School District is not responsible for broken, stolen or lost confiscated delivery devices or instruments.

Legal Reference: ACA. §5-78-102(2015) Legal Reference: ACA. §6-21-609

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