

## Policy 5533 SMOKING

The Board of Education recognizes that the use of tobacco presents a health hazard that can have serious implications both for the smoker and the nonsmoker and that smoking habits developed by the young may have lifelong deleterious consequences.

For purposes of this policy, "smoking" means the burning of a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or any other matter or substance that contains tobacco and the use of smokeless tobacco and snuff.

The Board prohibits smoking by pupils at any time on school premises at events sponsored by this Board away from school, and on any transportation vehicle supplied by this Board.

The Board directs that the health curriculum include instruction in the potential hazards of the use of tobacco. Staff members shall, by example and persuasion, make every reasonable effort to discourage pupils from developing the habit of smoking.

N.J.S.A. 18A:40A-1

N.J.S.A. 26:3D-15 et seq.

N.J.A.C. 6:29-1.3

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