USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS STRICTLY PROHIBITED IN ALL SCHOOL FACILITIES AND ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

No person shall at any time use any tobacco product in any facility maintained by the school district, or on any of the grounds of the district. Tobacco products include, but are not limited to: cigarettes, cigars, snuff, smokeless tobacco, E cigarettes, vaporizers, liquid nicotine, liquid non-nicotine products used as a tobacco substitute, and tobacco paraphernalia in any other form.

Facility is any enclosed place or portion of such place which is supported by public funds and which is used for the instruction of students enrolled in preschool programs and in all grades maintained by the district. This definition shall include all administrative buildings and offices and areas within facilities supportive of instruction and subject to educational administration including, but not limited to, lounge areas, passageways, rest rooms, laboratories, classrooms, study areas, cafeterias, gymnasiums, maintenance rooms, and storage areas.

Signs will be placed by the District in all buildings, facilities and school vehicles stating that the use of tobacco products is prohibited.

It is the responsibility of the building principal, or designees, to initially enforce this policy by requesting that any person violating this policy immediately cease the use of tobacco products. After this request is made, if any person refuses to refrain from using tobacco products in violation of this policy, the principal or designees may call the Mont Vernon Police Department who shall then be responsible for all enforcement proceedings and applicable fines and penalties.

STUDENTS

No student shall purchase, attempt to purchase, possess or use any tobacco product in any facility, in any school vehicle, anywhere on school grounds maintained by the District, or at any school-sponsored event.

Enforcement of this prohibition shall initially rest with the building principal, or designees who report any violation to the Mont Vernon Police Department. In accordance with state law, these officials shall then be responsible for all enforcement proceedings and applicable fines and penalties.

In addition to whatever criminal penalties or fines may result from a violation of this policy, any student who violates this policy is also subject to disciplinary action by school officials. Regulations (JICG-R) will be established which cover the disciplinary action to be taken for violation of this policy.
EMPLOYEES

No employee shall at any time use any tobacco product in any facility, in any school vehicle, or anywhere on school grounds maintained by the school district.

Initial responsibility for enforcement of this prohibition shall rest with the building principal or designees. The principal may report violations to the Mont Vernon Police Department. In accordance with state law, these officials shall then be responsible for all enforcement proceedings and applicable fines and penalties.

In addition to any applicable fines or penalties which may result from enforcement of these prohibitions by law enforcement officials, any employee who violates this policy is subject to disciplinary action, which may include warning, suspension, and dismissal. The principal will develop and implement the appropriate means of notifying employees of the possible disciplinary consequences of violating this policy.

ALL OTHER PERSONS

No visitor shall at any time use any tobacco product in any facility, in any school vehicle, or anywhere on school grounds maintained by the district.

Responsibility for enforcement of this prohibition shall rest with all school district employees who may report violations to the Mont Vernon Police Department. In accordance with state law, Mont Vernon law enforcement officials shall then be responsible for all enforcement proceedings and applicable fines and penalties.

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