

Bristol Tennessee City Schools

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Drug-Free Schools

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Students shall not consume, possess, use, sell, distribute, or be under the influence of illegal drugs or alcoholic beverages in school buildings, on school grounds, in school vehicles or buses, or at any school-sponsored activity, function, or event, whether on or off school grounds.¹ This includes, but is not limited to, abuse of inhalants and prescription drugs.

Disciplinary sanctions shall be imposed on students who violate standards of conduct required by this policy. Such sanctions shall be consistent with local, state, and federal laws, up to and including, suspension/expulsion as well as referral for prosecution.² Completion of an appropriate rehabilitation program may also be recommended.

Information about drug and alcohol counseling and rehabilitation programs shall be made available through the school office.

In order to protect the rights of students, to safeguard the learning environment, and to contribute to a drug free community, the board's plan for dealing with alcohol and drugs³ shall include the following:

~~1. Each school will follow procedures for responding to the needs of students who use and/or abuse alcohol or drugs, including:~~

- ~~1. a.~~ Appropriate ways for handling alcohol/drug-related medical emergencies;
- ~~2. b.~~ Guidelines for reporting alcohol/drug incidents and illegal activities;
- ~~3. c.~~ Guidelines for referral of students who may have an alcohol/drug problem and/or are considered "high risk" to agencies and other appropriate sources of assistance; and
- ~~4. d.~~ Effective working relationships with appropriate community agencies, such as alcohol/drug service providers, law enforcement agencies and judicial officials.

Through the use of state guidelines the director of schools or designee shall be responsible for:

1. Developing and implementing an appropriate curriculum on alcohol and drug education for students;
2. Providing adequate information and training for all staff personnel as appropriate to their responsibilities;
3. Implementing the relevant portions of the Drug-Free Youth Act;²⁴
4. Developing administrative ~~procedures rules and guidelines~~ for the school system to effectively respond to alcohol and drug situations that may occur at school or school-sponsored events; and
5. Providing notification to ~~parents or guardians~~ and students that compliance with this policy is mandatory.

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Legal References

1. ~~TRR/MS 0520-01-03-.08(2)(d)~~
2. ~~20 USCS § 7116~~
3. ~~TCA 39-17-417; TCA 39-17-715~~
4. ~~TCA 49-6-4209; TCA 49-6-3401~~

1. [TCA 39-17-715](#); [TCA 39-17-432](#)
2. [TCA 49-6-3401](#); [TCA 49-6-4209](#)
3. [TRR/MS 0520-01-13-.01\(1\)\(d\)](#)
4. [TCA 55-10-701](#); [20 USCA § 7116](#)

Cross References

Drug-Free Workplace 1.804
Zero Tolerance Offenses 6.309
[In-Service and Professional Learning Opportunities 5.113](#)
Suspension/Expulsion/Remand 6.316