

### **Corrective Action for Illegal Drugs/Alcohol**

Any student who while on school property, or in reasonable proximity thereto, or at a school-sponsored activity or event, (a) illegally uses, possesses, sells, or is under the influence of drugs, alcohol, controlled or mood altering substances; (b) illegally uses, possesses, sells, delivers, or is under the influence of medication which is not prescribed for his/her use by a licensed doctor; or (c) illegally uses, possesses, sells, or gives to another drug paraphernalia will be disciplined. (Such discipline may include participation in intervention activities, referral to a law enforcement agency, and/or suspension or expulsion from school.)

#### A. Definitions

Illegal Substance: Any drug, alcohol, controlled or mood altering substance (as defined in RCW 69.50), or medication which is not prescribed for the student's use by a licensed medical practitioner per the district's medication policy.

Drug Paraphernalia: Any item, implement, object, or material employed in the use, possession, transport, or sale of any controlled or mood altering substance as defined in RCW 69.50 and school district policy.

School Property: Any school site, facility, building, vehicle, conveyance, or accommodation which is owned, leased, rented, or borrowed in conjunction with any school district activity, event, or function. Such definition includes any location or property over which the district has authority or control and specifically includes facilities, activities or events at which Riverview students are performers, competitors, or spectators, and any location, public or private, in which Riverview students are attending as representatives of the Riverview School District.

#### B. Conditions and Limitations

##### 1. General

- a. A violation exists when a Riverview School District student, while on school property, or in reasonable proximity thereto, or at any school-sponsored activity or event:
  1. Is under the influence of any illegal substance.
  2. Uses any illegal substance.

3. Possesses any illegal substance, its container, or drug paraphernalia on his/her person, in his/her locker, vehicle, or other property.
  4. Attempts to sell, or give to another person, any illegal substance or drug paraphernalia.
  5. Attempts to possess, or attempts to persuade another student to possess, use, or seek out a source of purchase of any illegal substance or drug paraphernalia.
2. Conduct at Off-Campus, School-Sponsored Events

Students are subject to the policies governing the use/abuse of alcohol, drugs, controlled or mood altering substances while in attendance at, or participating in off-campus, evening, and weekend school-sponsored events.

3. Investigation

In any case where a school employee has reasonable suspicion that a violation has occurred, the school administrator and/or other appropriate authority will be involved in consultative and investigative roles.

C. Implementation Procedures

1. Principal or his/her designee will determine to the best of his/her ability that the student is, or is believed to be, in violation of the rules pertaining to illegal substances.
2. Principal will implement the following:
  - a. Remove the student from further contact with other students and place him/her under the continuous supervision of a responsible adult staff member.
  - b. Notify the parents/guardians prior to providing the required written notice and request that they provide necessary medical attention for the student. If the parent is not available, or staff deems such advisable, appropriate medical procedures will be followed.
  - c. Follow the procedures as outlined for Short-Term Suspension, Expulsion or Emergency Expulsion, as appropriate.

- d. Report the violation to the appropriate law enforcement agencies, if appropriate.

D. Sanctions

1. Possession, use, or being under the influence of illegal substances or paraphernalia.

- a. First offense

1. Parent conference with administrator
2. Referral to the local law enforcement agency.
3. A substance abuse assessment (evaluation) completed by an approved outside agency at parent/guardian expense.
4. Emergency expulsion, minimum 10-day short-term suspension if #3 above is completed. Maximum out-of-school suspension of 30 days if #3 above is not scheduled within the 10-day short-term suspension. The substance abuse assessment must be completed within thirty (30) days and all recommendations followed.
5. Mandatory suspension from all school directed extracurricular activities during out-of-school suspension time. For example: directed athletics, directed activities, participation in school sponsored activities, which may include high school commencement ceremony.

- b. Second Offense

1. Parent conference with administrator.
2. Referral to the local law enforcement agency.
3. A substance abuse assessment (evaluation) completed by an approved outside agency at parent/guardian expense.
4. Emergency expulsion, at the conclusion of any appeal rights, it will be recommended that the emergency expulsion be converted to a long-term suspension for no greater than 90 school days.

- c. Third Offense

1. Emergency expulsion and recommendation to the superintendent of expulsion from the Riverview School District.
2. Referral to the local law enforcement agency.

2. Sale or delivery of illegal substances or paraphernalia
  - a. Emergency expulsion.
  - b. Referral to the local law enforcement agency.

When emergency no longer exists, follow emergency expulsion with long term suspension or expulsion depending on circumstances.

School rule violations and sanctions involving drugs and alcohol are considered to be cumulative within the Riverview School District.

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