Missoula County Public Schools

Personnel 5225

Tobacco Free Policy

The Missoula County Public School District, inclusive of all its building and property, shall be tobacco free 24 hours a day, 365 days per year. This includes all days when school is not in session and all events and other activities not associated with, or sponsored by, the school.

Possession or use of a tobacco products, vapor product, or alternative nicotine product (tobacco includes, but is not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, snuff, smoking tobacco, smokeless tobacco, or any other tobacco or nicotine innovation) by employees on district property, in district vehicles and at school-sponsored events (whether on or off district property) is prohibited at all times. Exceptions to this include in a classroom or on other school property as part of a lecture or demonstration or educational forum sanctioned by a school administrator or faculty member concerning the risks associated with use of a tobacco product or involving Native American use of traditional tobacco for ceremonial purposes under the supervision of a faculty member or other responsible adult. Nothing herein prohibits an employee from using a smoking cessation product on school property.

The use of tobacco products by all students on school district property is prohibited. This includes non-school hours and all events sponsored by the school or others. Advertising of tobacco products is prohibited in school buildings, on school property, at school functions and in all school publications. This includes clothing that advertises tobacco products.

Legal Reference:

§ 20-1-220, MCA Use of tobacco product in public school building or

property prohibited.

§§ 50-40-101, et seq., MCA

Montana Clean Indoor Air Act of 1979 ARM 37.111.825 Health Supervision & Maintenance

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