

<b>MARION SCHOOL DISTRICT 60-3</b>	<b>NEPN Code: JICH</b>
<b>STUDENT POLICIES &amp; REGULATIONS</b>	

## **STUDENT ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE**

The School Board recognizes that alcohol and other drug abuse poses a serious threat to the health and well-being of the district's students and is detrimental to the learning process and the effective operation of the schools. Furthermore, the Board recognizes that alcohol and other drug abuse is a social and personal health problem which needs to be treated, not merely punished. Therefore, the Board expresses the following policies and provides for administrative guidelines to carry them out. The rules and prohibitions apply to students regardless of age and regardless of whether or not they may legally use the products. As required by law, violations will be reported to appropriate authorities, including law enforcement officials. This policy does not apply to prescription medicines as described in Policy JLCD

### **1. Students are forbidden to possess, use, sell or distribute:**

- a. Alcohol or other drugs
- b. Controlled substances
- c. Mind altering or mood altering substances
- d. Intoxicants
- e. Paraphernalia
- f. Anything purported to be any of the substances previously listed
- g. Paraphernalia for using any of the substances previously listed

This prohibition exists in school, on school properties, at school activities, or in any other area where school functions are occurring. The pretense to possess, use, or sell any of the above is also forbidden.

### **2. Students are forbidden to be under the influence of:**

- a. Alcohol or other drugs
- b. Controlled substances
- c. Mind altering or mood altering substances
- d. Intoxicants
- e. Anything purported to be any of the substances previously listed

This prohibition exists in school, on school properties, at school activities, or in any other area where school functions are occurring. The pretense to possess, use, or sell any of the above is also forbidden.

3. Possession and Distribution Disciplinary Actions

A. Possession, use of or attendance under the influence of a controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or any item represented or believed to be a controlled substance or alcoholic beverage is forbidden and will result in the following disciplinary action:

1. First Offense – Suspension for ten (10) or more school days
2. Second Offense – Suspension for up to ninety (90) school days.
3. Third Offense – Long term suspension or expulsion

B. Distribution or Sale of controlled substances, alcoholic beverages or any items believed or represented to be a controlled substance or alcoholic beverage is forbidden. The police may be contacted for professional and legal assistance.

1. First Offense – Long-term suspension or expulsion.

4. Students and parents/legal guardians are encouraged to seek assistance for alcohol and other drug abuse problems. Students and parents/legal guardians can be assured that these problems will be handled in a professional manner and confidentiality will be protected to the full extent permitted by law.

5. Administrators, teachers, and other employees are to be alert to alcohol and other drug abuse problems and are to follow the guidelines accompanying this policy. The Board shall provide an appropriate curriculum regarding alcohol and other drug abuse, provide training to its staff, and cooperate with other resources in the community in order to alleviate alcohol and other drug abuse problems.

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