

Policies of the Board of Education

Section H: Instruction

TEACHING ABOUT DRUGS, ALCOHOL, AND TOBACCO 800.13

The Lake Country School Board understands that significant numbers of parents, educators, students, and other community members are seriously concerned about the adverse effects of drug, alcohol, and tobacco abuse on the individual and society. Further, the Board believes that effective education requires both the acquisition of knowledge and the development of positive personal values, and that both the school and other community agencies must share in the development and conduct of programs to alleviate the problems of drug, alcohol and tobacco abuse.

A “tobacco product” includes, for example, chewing tobacco, cigars, and snuff. A “nicotine product” means any product that contains nicotine and is not a tobacco product, a cigarette, or a product that has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for sale as a smoking cessation product or for another medical purpose and is being marketed and sold solely for such an approved purchase (i.e., nicotine gum, nicotine skin patches). Nicotine products covered by this prohibition might include, for example, electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) with nicotine, nicotine vaporizers, and nicotine lollipops.

Therefore, the Board establishes a curriculum that will be:

1. Developed in conjunction with the Arrowhead Area AODA Consortium.
2. Conducted as an integral part of the health education program in the elementary schools, and incorporated in other relevant subject areas in grades 6-8.
3. Organized sequentially, comprehensive in scope, directed toward the acquisition of factual information and the development of positive attitudes and values.
4. Directed toward the causes of drug, alcohol, and tobacco abuse as well as the symptoms as part of an effective program of prevention.
5. Adapted to the specialized needs of each grade level.

The Board recognizes the need to provide relevant inservice education and the need to strengthen instructional resources to implement effectively the drug, alcohol, and tobacco education.

Parents will be readily informed about drug, alcohol, and tobacco education.

District and community referral resources will be used to assist parents and pupils.

The District will explore, identify and evaluate new instructional materials, methodology, research findings, and other related information to assist schools in implementing the curriculum.

Reference : Arrowhead Area Consortium Alcohol and Other Drug Education and Prevention Program

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