

The Board of Trustees recognizes that the use or abuse of tobacco, alcohol, and other chemical substances can pose a serious threat to youth. Therefore, a drug education prevention program shall be offered to students in the junior and senior high schools.

1.0 Curriculum Instruction:

The curriculum shall minimally include the effects of the use of tobacco, alcohol, narcotics, anabolic steroids, and other chemical substances as well as the dangers involved in consuming alcohol and/or chemicals. The curriculum will emphasize a “no-use” message, stress the serious consequences of use and encourage positive choices for a healthy lifestyle. Instruction shall take place in all health classes as well as selected classes such as physical education, science and Home Economic Careers and Technology (HECT).

The district shall provide science-based preventive instruction which has proven effective in helping students avoid the use of alcohol and other drugs. All instruction and related materials shall consistently state that unlawful use of alcohol or other drugs is wrong and harmful. Instruction shall not include the concept of responsible use of drugs or alcohol when such use is illegal.

2.0 In-service Training:

To ensure that teachers/staff are aware of current information related to drug education, involving both knowledge of instructional techniques and intervention strategies, the Board of Trustees authorizes appropriate in-service activities, such as attendance at conferences, district-sponsored workshops, curriculum development workshops, and consultant services. Through in-service and other programs, teachers will be encouraged to continually improve their knowledge and skills.

References:

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