CARBON CAREER & TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: TOBACCO PRODUCTS USE

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222. TOBACCO PRODUCTS USE

1. Purpose

The Joint Operating Committee recognizes that the use of tobacco products by students presents a health and safety hazard that can have serious consequences for both users and nonusers and the safety and environment of the school.

2. Definition 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6306.1

For purposes of this policy, tobacco product use shall be defined as use and/or possession of (i) any product containing, made or derived from tobacco or nicotine that is intended for human consumption, whether smoked, heated, chewed, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, snorted, sniffed, or ingested by any other means, including, but not limited to a cigarette, a cigar, a little cigar, chewing tobacco, pipe, snuff and snus. (ii)Any electronic device that delivers nicotine or another substance to a person inhaling from the device, including but not limited to, electronic nicotine delivery systems, an electronic cigarette, a cigar, a pipe and a hookah. (iii) Any product containing, made or derived from either: (A) Tobacco, whether in its natural or synthetic form; or (B) Nicotine whether in its natural or synthetic form, which is regulated by the United States Food and Drug Administration as a deemed tobacco product. (iv) Any component, part or accessory of the product or electronic device under (i), (ii), or (iii), whether or not sold separately.

For purposes of this policy students shall include those enrolled, as well as nonschool students visiting or attending meetings, programs, and workshops held at the school. Adult students shall be those individuals enrolled in a program at the school who are not currently enrolled as students at any participating school district.

3. Authority SC 1850.1 Title 22 Sec. 12.3 35 P.S. 1223.5 The Joint Operating Committee prohibits students from possessing and using tobacco at any time in a school building and on any property, buses, vans, and vehicles that are owned, leased or controlled by the school.

Students are not allowed to use or possess a tobacco product while off-campus and under the school's supervision; i.e., job sites, field trips, internships, clinical experiences, conferences, etc. This also applies to students while in-transit to and from the school, the sending school, and other locations indicated above. Adult

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	students taking coursework off-campus, but under auspices of the school, shall be governed by the smoking/tobacco products policy of the appropriate agency or governing body.
18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6306.1	The school may initiate prosecution of a student who possesses or uses tobacco in violation of this policy.
4. Delegation of Responsibility	The Administrative Director or designee shall annually notify students, parents/guardians and staff about the school's tobacco products use policy by publishing such policy in the student handbook, reviewing it during orientation meetings with students, posted notices, and other efficient methods.
	Adult students shall be oriented to this policy at the beginning of their training period at the school.
	The Administrative Director or designee shall develop procedures to implement this policy.
5. Guidelines SC 1303-A	Penalties shall be applied as outlined in appropriate student discipline polices, employee contracts, and state statue. Penalties shall follow progressive steps, whenever applicable, including warnings, confiscation of tobacco products and possible removal from school premises.
	Incidents of possession, use and sale of tobacco in violation of this policy by any person on school property shall be reported to the Office of Safe Schools on the required form at least once each year.
18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6306.1	A student convicted of possessing or using tobacco products in violation of this policy may be fined up to \$50 plus court costs or admitted to alternative adjudication in lieu of imposition of a fine.
PA Code Title 22 Sec. 12.3	
18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6306.1	
School Code 1303-A, 1850.1	
35 P.S. 1223.5	
20 U.S.C. Sec. 7114	

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