

Student Services

Medical Marijuana

The Board strives to honor families' private medical decisions while ensuring a learning environment free of disruption. To that goal, the District maintains a strict prohibition against the possession, use, sale and presence under the influence of prohibited substances, having adopted a Drug Free School Policy (*Policy 2641 – Drug Free Schools*) as well as a prohibition against Student Use of Tobacco, Alcohol and Drugs (*Policy 2640 - Student Use of Tobacco, Alcohol and Drugs*). The purpose of these policies and others is not primarily punitive to catch offenders, rather it is designed to provide a safe learning environment and to serve as a deterrence to drug use.

The State of Missouri has adopted a limited authorization of medical marijuana, as defined by state law and all applicable regulations (hereinafter “medical marijuana” or “drug”). The law does not authorize the use of medical marijuana on school premises, nor does it require or permit district employees to administer the drug to students.

It is violation of this Board Policy for any person to possess or administer marijuana, including medical marijuana, on District property or at District events because marijuana is illegal under federal law. The District is subject to federal law, and receives federal funds for various programs that greatly benefit students. Student possession, use, distribution, sale or being under the influence of marijuana may be considered a violation of Board policy concerning drug and alcohol involvement by students or other Board policy and may subject the student to disciplinary consequences, including suspension and/or expulsion, in accordance with applicable Board policy.

Under this policy, caregivers, as defined by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, of qualified users of medical marijuana should administer the drug before or after school. Under no circumstances should the drug be administered in a manner that results in safety or impairment concerns while the student is at school or attending school events.

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