

NORTHERN LEBANON SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PROPERTY

TITLE: USE OF TOBACCO

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711. USE OF TOBACCO	
1. Purpose	The Board recognizes that use of tobacco during school hours and on school property presents a health and safety hazard and is, therefore, of concern to the Board.
2. Definition Clean Indoor Air Act Sec. 10.1	For purposes of this policy, use of tobacco shall mean all uses of tobacco, including cigars, cigarettes, pipes, chewing tobacco and snuff.
3. Authority Act 168 of 1988	In order to protect students and staff from an environment that may be harmful to them, the Board prohibits use of tobacco in school buildings, on school grounds, on school buses and in district vehicles. Violators of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action.
Act 145 of 1996	The Board recognizes that enforcement of this policy is possible in-and-around buildings. However, enforcement is difficult when activities are held on the grounds away from buildings, e.g. (stadium, track, ball fields). In these cases use of tobacco will be discouraged. Buildings, grounds, stadium, track, and ball fields will be posted with "Tobacco Free Area" signs where it is practical to do so. In cases of student use or possession of tobacco the district may initiate prosecution.
SC 1303-a (b)	A student convicted of possessing or using tobacco in a school building or on a school bus or school property may be fined up to fifty dollars (\$50.00) plus court costs or admitted to alternative adjudication. 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.