

## **PROHIBITION AGAINST TOBACCO USE ON SCHOOL PREMISES**

Use of any and all forms of tobacco products within the school buildings, school facilities, or on school grounds or school buses by any individual, including school personnel and students, is prohibited at all times. The term "tobacco products" shall mean tobacco in any form, including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, snuff, chewing tobacco, e-cigarettes, nicotine vaporizers, smokeless tobacco products and other products of a similar nature.

This policy shall pertain to all school-sponsored and/or school-related events, including athletic games, whether such events occur on school district property or grounds. School property and/or grounds shall be defined as all ground up to the curbs of sidewalks surrounding each school. Specifically, the Cambridge Rindge and Latin School grounds include the Cambridge Public Library grounds which are considered school grounds as to all student policies.

A staff member determined to be in violation of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action.

Based upon the specific circumstances of a violation of these requirements, a student may be subject to disciplinary action and may be referred to an appropriate City/health education program on tobacco assistance and/or substance abuse.

This policy shall be promulgated to all staff and students in appropriate handbook(s) and publications.

Signs shall be posted in all school buildings informing the general public of the district policy and requirements of state law.

Additionally, in accordance with the City of Cambridge policy on establishment of a "no smoking zone" around municipal buildings, a "no smoking zone" will be in effect outside all entrances, ventilation air intakes and operable windows to Cambridge Public School buildings for a distance of twenty (20) feet.

LEGAL REF: M.G.L.c. 71, §37H  
City of Cambridge Policy on Establishment of "No Smoking Zone" Around  
Municipal Buildings, dated October 10, 2006

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