

POLICY: GBK

SUBJECT: SMOKE FREE ENVIRONMENT

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1. GENERAL

1.1 The Winnipeg School Division as an employer and a major educational organization believes that smoking and second hand smoke have an adverse effect on the health of smokers and non-smokers. The Division also believes that the children entrusted to its care have a right to be protected from the serious effects posed by smoking and second hand smoke.

2. SMOKE FREE ENVIRONMENT

- 2.1 School Division buildings, Division vehicles and School Division property, shall be smoke free.
- 2.2 Smoking by students, employees of the Division, and any other persons shall be prohibited in Division buildings, Division-owned vehicles and on school property.
- 2.3 Employees working in buildings or vehicles which are not owned or operated by the Division shall be governed by the policies of the building or vehicle in which they work.
- 2.4 The public display of tobacco products and other accessories in school buildings shall be banned except for religious or ceremonial usages and anti-smoking promotions.
- 2.5 That the use of Electronic Vaporizer Devices is not permitted in schools or on school property in the Winnipeg School Division.

3. RESPONSIBILITY

- 3.1 The Chief Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for the administration of this policy and the development of procedures to facilitate implementation.
- 3.2 Superintendents or Department Supervisors, School Administrators and Building Managers shall be responsible for the implementation and ongoing administration of this policy with regard to employees in their section, department or building and/or students in and visitors to the school.
- 3.3 All employees of the Division shall be responsible for the monitoring the implementation of a smoke free environment.