

Administrative Procedure 162-1 - Appendix A - Smoke-Free Environment

Background

The Division recognizes its responsibility for maintaining a low-hazard environment. Being aware of the medical research which links smoking and smoke-laden environments with many serious illnesses, the Division acknowledges its responsibility to ensure a healthy environment, and supports the following principle: The elimination of smoking by all persons, at all times within all buildings and vehicles owned, operated, or contracted by the Division.

Procedures

1. "No Smoking" Facilities
Smoking shall not be permitted in school buildings.
2. Extent of Administrative Procedure Application
The "No Smoking" ban applies on a 24-hour basis each day, every day, whether the buildings are used for school, entertainment, recreation, business private function, regardless of the number of occupants on the premises.
3. Signs Posted in Buildings
Signs shall be posted in the entrance of each school, indicating these premises have been designated as "Smoke Free" or "No Smoking" areas.
4. Smoking School Grounds
Smoking shall not be permitted on the school grounds.
5. Responsibilities of Staff
 - 5.1. It is the responsibility of all staff to ensure that "Smoke Free" procedures govern the behaviour of all inhabitants:
 - 5.1.1. Students
Principals will be charged with the responsibility for the supervision of student behaviour under this Administrative Procedure;
 - 5.1.2. Staff
Employees are expected to adhere to this Administrative Procedure;
 - 5.1.3. Public
Any members of the public who are in contravention of this Administrative Procedure may lose their right to enter or use the premises
 - 5.2. This Administrative Procedure forms part of the procedures governing community use of schools.

- 5.3. In school buildings, the right of entry shall be withheld at the discretion of the Principal of the building. Failure to comply with the request to leave the premises or failure to remain off the premises may result in a charge of "Trespassing" being laid.
6. Individuals and groups seeking to use school facilities shall be notified of the provisions of this Administrative Procedure when application is made for the use of the facilities.

Reference: Section 31, 32, 33, 52, 53, 68, 196, 197, 204, 222, 225 Education Act
Tobacco and Smoking Reduction Act
Tobacco and Smoking Reduction Regulation

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