

<b>Hamilton County Board of Education</b>			
Monitoring: <b>Review: Annually, in September</b>	<b>Smoke-Free and Tobacco-Free Schools</b>	Descriptor Code: 1.803	Issued Date: 09/20/18
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2 The Hamilton County Board of Education prohibits students, staff and visitors from using,  
3 promoting or selling any tobacco product on all Hamilton County Board of Education  
4 owned property, at any school or district-sponsored event, whether on or off-campus, and in  
5 any publicly owned or leased district vehicle.<sup>1</sup>  
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7 The use of any tobacco product shall also be prohibited at all other times, places and events at,  
8 on, about or conducted at, on or about school grounds in any public seating areas including, but  
9 not limited to, bleachers used for sporting events, the areas immediately adjoining the  
10 bleachers/athletic fields/gymnasiums or auditoriums, and public restrooms.<sup>2</sup>  
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12 Tobacco products include but are not limited to cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, chewing  
13 tobacco, snuff, snus, smokeless tobacco, electronic smoking devices and/or associated  
14 paraphernalia. Students are prohibited from possessing or displaying tobacco products at any  
15 time and at any location on district property or at any off-campus, school- or district-sponsored  
16 event and in district vehicles.  
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18 All employees of Hamilton County Board of Education and students enrolled in the district's schools  
19 will not be permitted to use tobacco or tobacco products, including smokeless tobacco, electronic  
20 cigarettes and associated paraphernalia while they are participants in any class or activities in which  
21 they represent such schools or the Hamilton County Board of Education.  
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23 No one on behalf of the district may solicit or accept any contributions, gifts or money from  
24 the tobacco industry to include, but not be limited to, donations, monies for  
25 sponsorships/scholarships, advertising, promotions, loans or support for equipment, uniforms  
26 and sports and/or training facilities. No one on behalf of the district may solicit or accept  
27 curricula or other educational materials of any kind that are created by or with input from the  
28 tobacco industry.  
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30 Age-appropriate, evidence-based, cross-curricular school-based tobacco product education shall  
31 be included in the education provided to all students in K-12 in the district at least once per year.  
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33 Parents and students shall be notified of this policy at the beginning of each school year.  
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36 Signs will be posted throughout the district's facilities to notify students, employees and all other  
37 persons visiting the school that the use of tobacco and tobacco products is forbidden on the entire  
38 campus.<sup>1</sup>  
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40 The district shall address violations of this policy by students with a graduated set of evidence-based,  
41 supportive disciplinary practices that promote recovery and reduction of tobacco product addiction  
42 and dependence. Policy violations by students will be tracked each school year.  
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46 Legal References:

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48 1. Section 1042 of the Environmental Tobacco Smoke/Pro-Children Act of 1994

49 2. TCA 39-17-1604(6)(10); TCA 39-17-1605; TCA 39-17-1606

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