

### **Tobacco-Free Environment**

The Board recognizes its responsibility to promote the health, welfare, and safety of students, staff, and others on district property and at school-sponsored activities. In light of scientific evidence that use of tobacco is hazardous to health, and to be consistent with district curriculum and Oregon law, it is the intent of the Board to establish a tobacco-free environment. Consequently, student possession, use, and distribution or sale of tobacco, includes any smoking device, on district premises, at school-sponsored activities on or off district premises, in district-owned, rented, or leased vehicles, or otherwise while on duty on or off district premises is prohibited. Tobacco use, distribution or sale by others on district property, in district vehicles or at district sponsored events on or off district premises is also prohibited. Staff or others authorized to use private vehicles to transport district students to school-sponsored activities are prohibited from using tobacco in those vehicles while students are under their care.

For the purposes of this policy, “tobacco” is defined to include any lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, bidi, clove cigarette, and any other smoking product, spit tobacco, also know as smokeless, dip, chew, snuff, in any form.

Clothing, bags, hats and other personal items used by staff and students to display, promote or advertise tobacco products are prohibited on district grounds, at school-sponsored activities or in district vehicles. Tobacco advertising is prohibited in all school-sponsored publications, in all school buildings, and at all school-sponsored events. District acceptance of gifts or funds from the tobacco industry is similarly prohibited. The district will not contract with other public or private alternative schools that allow student tobacco use on campus.

Student violations of this policy will lead to disciplinary action up to and including expulsion. Students may also be subject to removal from any or all extracurricular activities and /or denial or forfeiture of school honors or privileges (e.g., valedictorian, salutatorian, student body, class or club office positions, field trips, senior trip, prom, etc.). School and/or community service may be required. A referral to law enforcement may be made. Parents shall be notified of all violations involving their student and action taken by the school.

Any person who distributes, sells or causes to be sold; tobacco in any form or a tobacco-burning device to a person under 18 years of age commits a Class A violation and is subject to a court imposed fine of not less that \$100.00 and not exceeding \$600.00 as provided by ORS 163.575

## **Tobacco Use by Students**

If possession or use occurred on or near School grounds or while participating in both “home and away” School-sponsored activities, students will be subject to disciplinary action which may include removal from any or all extra-curricular activities, forfeiture of any School honors or privileges, or expulsion (as determined by School Administration). A student may be referred to law enforcement officials. Parents will be notified.

Students who use or possess tobacco products on or near School grounds or while participating in or representing Central Linn High at a School sponsored activity, at any time, “home or away”, will be subject to disciplinary action. If use occurs while participating is an athletic team, extra-curricular or co-curricular activity the student will be removed for the remainder of the athletic/activity season.

Students in possession of or using tobacco products while at School, or on or near School grounds will be suspended. 1<sup>st</sup> Violation – 2 day Suspension; 2<sup>nd</sup> Violation – 3 day Suspension

Any further violation will result in a 3-day suspension plus an evaluation to be determined by the Administration. Consistent refusal or neglect to obey the rules may lead to expulsion. Due process procedures shall be followed.

As an alternative to discipline, students may be referred to a cessation and/or tobacco education class. Attendance at such classes is voluntary. Any cost related to cessation classes is the responsibility of the student and his/her parent.

A referral to law enforcement may be made at any time.

**END OF POLICY**

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Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 163.575](#) (1)(d),(e)  
[ORS 332.107](#)  
[ORS 336.222](#)  
[ORS 336.227](#)  
[ORS 339.240](#)  
[ORS 339.250](#)  
[ORS 431.840](#)  
[ORS 431.845](#)  
[ORS 433.835 - 433.990](#)  
[OAR 333-015-0030](#)  
[OAR 415-060-0020](#)  
[OAR 581-021-0050](#) to -0075  
[OAR 581-022-0413](#)  
[OAR 581-053-0015](#)  
[OAR 581-053-0545](#) (4)(c)(R,S,T)  
[OAR 581-053-0550](#) (5)(t,u,v)

Pro-Children Act of 1994, 20 U.S.C. Sections 6081-6084.