

KEYSTONE OAKS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Policy Guide



Policy No. 227

Section PUPILS

Title CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES/
PARAPHERNALIA

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POLICY NO. 227 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES/PARAPHERNALIA		
Section 1	<u>Purpose</u> The Board recognizes that the use and abuse of controlled substances as defined in this policy is a serious problem with legal, physical and social implications for the whole school community. As an educational institution, the schools shall strive to prevent abuse of controlled substances. The purpose of this policy is to prohibit student possession, use and/or distribution of controlled substances, except as permitted by applicable state or federal law and Board policy.	Pol. 210, 210.1
Section 2	<u>Definitions</u> For purposes of this policy, controlled substances shall include : 1. Any controlled substances prohibited by federal or Pennsylvania state laws. 2. Look-alike drugs. 3. Alcoholic beverages. 4. Anabolic steroids. 5. Drug Paraphernalia. 6. Any volatile solvents or inhalants, such as but not limited to glue and aerosol products.	35 P.S. 780-102 21 U.S.C. 812

	<p style="text-align: center;">POLICY NO. 227 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES/PARAPHERNALIA</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee shall notify the person in parental relation of any student directly involved in an incident involving the prohibited possession, use or sale of controlled substances as a victim or suspect immediately, as soon as practicable. The Superintendent or designee shall inform the person in parental relation when the law enforcement agency that has jurisdiction over the school property has been or may be notified of the incident. The Superintendent or designee shall document attempts made to reach the person in parental relation.</p> <p>In accordance with state law, the Superintendent shall annually, by July 31, report all incidents of prohibited possession, use or sale of controlled substances to the PA Department of Education on the required form.</p> <p>In all cases involving students and controlled substances, the need to protect the school community from undue harm and exposure to drugs shall be recognized.</p> <p>No student may be admitted to a program that seeks to identify and rehabilitate the potential abuser without the intelligent, voluntary and aware consent of the student and person in parental relation.</p> <p><u>Anabolic Steroids</u></p> <p>The Board prohibits the use of anabolic steroids by students involved in school related athletics, except for a valid medical purpose. Body building and muscle enhancement, increasing muscle bulk or strength, or the enhancements of athletic abilities are not valid medical purposes. Human Growth Hormone (HGH) shall not be included as an anabolic steroid.</p> <p>Students shall be made aware of the dangers of steroid use; that anabolic steroids are classified as controlled substances; and that their use, unauthorized possession, purchase, or sale could subject students to suspension, expulsion and/or criminal prosecution.</p> <p>The Board prohibits coaches, sponsors, and other representatives of the District from encouraging, supplying, promoting, or condoning the use of performance or body enhancing drugs (prescription and non-prescription) or supplements.</p>	<p>22 PA Code 10.2, 10.25 Pol. 805.1</p> <p>SC 1306.2-B, 1319-B Pol. 805.1</p> <p>35 P.S. 807.1</p> <p>35 P.S. 807.2 Pol. 233</p>
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<p>Section 6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">POLICY NO. 227 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES/PARAPHERNALIA</p> <p><u>Reasonable Suspicion/Testing</u></p> <p>If based on a student's behavior, medical symptoms, vital signs or other observable factors, the building principal has reasonable suspicion that a student is under the influence of a controlled substance, the principal is to alert the Superintendent. Based on the Superintendent's recommendation, the student may be required to submit to drug or alcohol testing. The testing may include but is not limited to the analysis of blood, urine, saliva, or the administration of a Breathalyzer test.</p> <p><u>Prevention/Awareness</u></p> <p>A major function of the school in a drug and alcohol related situation is to protect the health, safety, and well-being of its students and staff, with consideration being given to the overall process of education and the safeguarding of school property.</p> <p>Prevention efforts are to be directed toward the dissemination of information that increases the level of awareness of students and persons in parental relation. Prevention also focuses on the implementation of developmental experiences which enhance the ability of students to make responsible decisions.</p> <p>The District's professional staff operates under the concept of "in loco parentis." The concept provides school personnel with certain rights and responsibilities similar to that of the person in parental relation. It permits administrators and staff to take action necessary to protect and educate each student on a day-to-day basis.</p>	<p>Pol. 236, 236.1</p>
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