

## **J-7 SMOKING/USE OF TOBACCO**

The Board views smoking and other uses of tobacco as being detrimental to health and as being significant contributors to lung and heart diseases.

Students shall not be permitted to smoke or use tobacco in any form on the school grounds or in school buildings during the school day, or when riding school buses to and from school or on a school sponsored trip. Parental permission to smoke or otherwise use tobacco does not exempt a student from this policy. Professional school personnel shall organize and maintain intensive programs of education designed to make pupils fully aware of the hazards of smoking and use of tobacco.

Students violating this policy are subject to suspension or other appropriate disciplinary action.

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**LEGAL REF: Code of Alabama 16-1-30**