

# MOON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

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218.4. DRUGS AND ALCOHOL	
1. Purpose	<p>The following policy reflects this community's concern for its youths' involvement with drugs and alcohol. As such, it addresses the responsibility the Moon Area School District has when dealing with the issues of potential and actual use or abuse of drugs, alcohol, and mood-altering substances by members of its entire student population. It also provides for the remediation of individuals who are identified as being in violation of this policy.</p> <p>The policy of the district does not intend to intrude into the personal lives of its students. However, the school district does expect that the students report for class or extracurricular, co-curricular, or school-sponsored/sanctioned activities in a condition that will allow them to perform their various duties in a safe and efficient manner. The district recognizes that in-school as well as out-of-school drug and alcohol use has a negative impact on the institution as a whole and is detrimental to the safety of our student body as well as our goal of a drug-free learning environment. This policy has been developed to provide students information in advance of a problem and to promote the safety of all students, faculty and the public. This policy includes school-related and nonschool-related violations.</p>
2. Authority	<p>Through the use of a revised curriculum, classroom activities, community support and resources, a strong and consistent administrative and faculty effort, and rehabilitative and disciplinary procedures, the Moon Area School District will work to educate, prevent and intervene in the potential and actual use and abuse of all drugs, alcohol and mood-altering substances by the entire student population.</p>
3. Delegation of Responsibility	<p>Where applicable, these procedures will be implemented through the functioning of the appropriate MAPS Team, which is a core team of administrators, teachers, counselors, and nurses.</p>
Pol. 122, 123	<p>The Moon Area School District believes that participation in extracurricular, co-curricular, and school-sponsored/sanctioned activities is a privilege, not a right or an entitlement. This policy includes school-related and nonschool-related violations.</p>

<p>4. Definitions</p>	<p><b>School-Sponsored/Sanctioned Activity</b> - Any activity approved or sanctioned by the school district, regardless of the location.</p> <p><b>Extracurricular Activity</b> - Any arts, athletic, or academic activity held within or outside of the school, on or off school property.</p> <p><b>Co-curricular Activity</b> - Any activity that complements, but is not part of the regular school curriculum occurring beyond or outside the regular school day, on or off school property.</p>
<p>5. Guidelines</p> <p>SC 510, 511 Title 22 Sec. 12.3 Pol. 218</p>	<p><u>Rules And Regulations</u></p> <p>A student, who on school property, at any school-sponsored activity, or on any public conveyance, including but not limited to a school bus, providing transportation to or from a school or school-related activity, is under the influence or suspected to be under the influence of alcohol, drugs or mood-altering substances shall be subjected to disciplinary action. In addition, a student, who in the aforementioned circumstances, possesses, uses, dispenses, sells, transports or aids in the procurement of alcohol, narcotics, restricted drugs, mood-altering substances, or any substance purported to be a restricted substance or over-the-counter drug shall be subjected to discipline pursuant to the provisions and procedures outlined in the Board policies.</p> <p>Nonschool-related information regarding a student’s arrest, citation and/or conviction (regarding D&amp;A) shall come from the following sources: local/regional police, magistrate, or probation officer. Nonschool-related reports from official sources shall result in discipline that includes provisions outlined in the Board policy and may include suspension from participating in extracurricular, co-curricular, and school-sponsored/sanctioned activities.</p> <p><u>School Guidelines</u></p> <p>As an integral part of the Moon Area School District Drug and Alcohol Prevention Program, these guidelines represent one (1) component in a district-wide effort to respond effectively to drug, mood-altering substance and alcohol-related situations that may occur at school or at school-sponsored activities. These guidelines are intended to provide a consistent minimum disciplinary means to respond to drug, mood-altering substances and related incidents that are both school-related and nonschool-related.</p>

The Moon Area School District will strive to provide a safe and healthy environment for students with due consideration for their legal rights and responsibilities. The Board reserves the right to use any extraordinary measures deemed necessary to control substance use or abuse even if the same is not provided for specifically in any rule or regulation enumerated herein.

References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 510, 511, 1303-A

State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 12.3, 403.1

PA Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act – 35 P.S. Sec. 780-101 et seq.

Steroids – 35 P.S. Sec. 807.1 et seq.

PA Civil Immunity of School Officers/Employees Relating to Drug or Alcohol Abuse – 42 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 8337

No Child Left Behind Act – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7114, 7161

Controlled Substances Act – 21 U.S.C. Sec. 801 et seq.

Board Policy – 122, 123, 210, 218, 218.8