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DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE BY STUDENTS
CATEGORY = RECOMMENDED

The School Board is concerned with the health, welfare and safety of its students. Therefore, the use, sale, transfer, distribution, possession or being under the influence of unauthorized prescription drugs, alcohol, narcotics, unauthorized inhalants, controlled substances, illegal drugs is prohibited on any school district property, in any district-owned vehicle, or in any other district-approved vehicle used to transport students to and from school or district activities. This prohibition also applies to any district-sponsored or district-approved activity, event or function. The use, sale, transfer or possession of drug-related paraphernalia is also prohibited.

For the purposes of this policy, a controlled substance shall include any controlled substance as defined in the Controlled Substances Act, 21 U.S.C. § 812(c), or RSA 318-B, Controlled Drug Act.

Students must take any prescribed medication before or after their scheduled session. North Country Charter Academy does not store any prescribed medications. Staff of North Country Charter Academy are prohibited from providing any prescribed medication to students.

Any student who is found by the administration to be in violation of this policy shall be referred for prosecution and subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension, expulsion or other discipline in accordance with the district's disciplinary policy. Strict compliance is mandatory. The school principal shall immediately report all incidents involving a controlled substance to the appropriate local law enforcement agency and the superintendent. All controlled substances shall be turned over to local law enforcement.

Students with disabilities who violate this policy will be disciplined in accordance with the student's Individual Education Program (IEP.)

LEGAL REFERENCES

NH STATUTES: RSA 318-C, RSA 571-C:2

FEDERAL STATUTES: 21 U.S.C. § 812(c)

CROSS REFERENCES: ADB, GBEC, IHAMA, JICHA

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