

**Northwest Regional
Education Service District
Policy**

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Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse - Health Education

Students have a right to attend school in an environment conducive to learning. Since alcohol, drug, and tobacco use interferes with both effective learning and the healthy development of children and adolescents, NWRESD has a fundamental legal and ethical obligation to prevent unlawful drug, alcohol, and tobacco use and to maintain drug-free educational environments.

After consulting with parents, teachers, administrators, local community agencies, and persons from the health or alcohol and drug service community who are knowledgeable of the latest research information, the Board will adopt a written plan for a drug, alcohol, and tobacco prevention and intervention program.

Drug Prevention Program

The Board review, update as necessary to reflect current research, and adopt an age-appropriate alcohol/drug prevention curriculum to be taught annually to all NWRESD students K-12 after consulting with administration and teacher representatives.

Instruction will be integrated in the health education courses. Students not enrolled in health education shall receive alcohol/drug prevention instruction through other designated courses.

Instruction shall minimally meet the requirements set forth in the Oregon Administrative Rule, as it pertains to a Prevention Education Program in Alcohol and Drugs.

The NWRESD will include annually in the student/parent/staff handbooks information regarding the NWRESD's intervention and referral procedures, including medical emergencies.

Intervention is defined as the identification and referral of students whose behavior is interfering with their potential success socially, emotionally, physiologically, and/or legally as a result of prohibited drug, alcohol, and/or tobacco use.

Any member of the staff who has reason to suspect a student is in possession of, or under the influence of alcoholic beverages, controlled dangerous substances, or other intoxicants on NWRESD property, on a NWRESD bus, or while participating in any NWRESD-sponsored activity, whether on NWRESD property or at sites off NWRESD property, will escort the student to the administrative office or designated area, and will report the information to the superintendent or designee.

The superintendent or designee will:

1. Call the police if deemed appropriate;
2. Call the parents for a meeting;

3. Discuss incident with student, parents if available, and police if contacted;
4. Impose school rule violation penalty, if deemed appropriate using due process procedures;
5. Tell parents about resources which offer treatment or their assistance for young people suffering from alcohol/drug problems.

In the case of a drug-related medical emergency such as an overdose or an allergic reaction, immediate notification of the community emergency care unit is required. Trained staff members will assist the student in any way possible. Parents shall be contacted immediately. A staff member shall be designated to accompany the student to the hospital or emergency medical facility.

In general, drug and alcohol emergencies will be handled like a serious accident or illness. Therefore, the procedures to be taken shall be included in the NWRESD's comprehensive first aid/emergency plan.

Students possessing, using and/or selling alcohol and other drugs on NWRESD property, in school vehicles, at NWRESD-sponsored activities on or off NWRESD grounds will be subject to discipline up to and including expulsion. When considering disciplinary action for a child with disabilities, the district must follow the requirements of Board policy JGDA/JGEA – Discipline of Disabled Students – including those involving functional behavioral assessment, change or placement, manifestation determination, and an interim alternative educational setting. Students may also be referred to law enforcement officials.

Each year the administration will meet with the sheriff's office staff to discuss:

1. Who the NWRESD should call for suspected violations of the law or other needs;
2. How school representatives should handle evidence of a suspected offense (i.e., school staff should not taste a substance to ascertain whether or not it is a drug). What about fingerprints? Paraphernalia?
3. What questioning procedures may take place on NWRESD property;
4. Other needs of the NWRESD and the law enforcement to avoid conflicts or confusion before a substance-related incident occurs.

The superintendent or designee will actively seek funds from outside sources either independently or through coordinated efforts with other districts or community agencies or the education service district for drug-free schools grants.

Funds needed to support the activities related to alcohol, drugs, and tobacco prevention will be identified by source, particularly the 1986 Drug-Free Schools Act monies or other grants received from federal, state, or local sources.

Each year a planned staff development program that addresses the needs and responsibilities for entire staff will be provided. Staff development will include current basic alcohol and drug information and an explanation of NWRESD and school alcohol and drug policies, procedures, and program.

Staff will be involved in planning and implementing the in-service activities used to accomplish the

alcohol/drug staff development. Such activities will address the various levels of background among staff members and provide sufficient amounts of time to accomplish the activities.

The NWRESA will develop a public information plan for students, staff, and parents.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 163.575](#)
[ORS 336.067](#)
[ORS 336.222](#)
[ORS 339.133-137](#)
[ORS 339.873](#)
[ORS Chapter 475](#)
[ORS 809.260](#)

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Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, 41 U.S.C. §§ 701-707 (2006); General Principles Relating to Suspension and Debarment Actions, 34 C.F.R. §§ 85.600 - 85.645 (2006).

Controlled Substances Act, 21 U.S.C. 812, Schedules of Controlled Substances, 21 C.F.R. §§ 1308.11-1308.15 (2006).

Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act, 20 U.S.C. §§ 7101-7117 (2006), 34 C.F.R. §§ 300.108.