TEACHING ABOUT ALCOHOL, DRUGS, AND TOBACCO

The Principal shall be responsible to establish and periodically review the District's guidelines for staff members providing education on the effects of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs, and dealing with abuse. As part of the health education program for kindergarten through grade 6, the District shall provide age and developmentally appropriate drug and alcohol education to students based on the needs of the students and the community. Such education should include the effects and abuse of alcohol and other drugs, the hazards of using tobacco products, e-cigarettes, liquid nicotine, as well as the state laws and related penalties for prohibiting minors using or possessing such products.

The District may provide students, parents, and legal guardians with information and resources relative to existing drug and alcohol counseling and treatment. The Principal shall oversee the development, distribution, and maintenance of a comprehensive list of local, regional, and statewide drug and alcohol counseling, and treatment resources which are available to district students. This information may be distributed along with other course material during drug and alcohol education, and shall be available through the school counselor's office, school nurse's office, and other locations deemed appropriate by the Principal.

Legal References:

RSA 126-K:8, Youth Access to and Use of Tobacco Products, Special Provisions

RSA 189:10, Studies

RSA 189:11-d, Drug and Alcohol Education

RSA 193-E:2-a, Substantive Educational Content of an Adequate Education

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