Tobacco Policy

Intergenerational School Board of Directors (the “Board”) recognizes that the use of tobacco products is a health, safety, and environmental hazard for students, employees, visitors, and school facilities. The Board believes that the use of tobacco products on school grounds, in school buildings and facilities, on school property or at school-related or school-sponsored events or on the way to/from school is detrimental to the health and safety of students, staff and visitors. The Board acknowledges that adult employees and visitors serve as role models for students. The Board recognizes that it has an obligation to promote positive role models in schools and to promote a healthy learning and working environment, free from unwanted smoke/vapor and tobacco use for the students, employees, and visitors on the school campus.

Definitions

For the purposes of this policy, the following definitions have the following meanings:

1) “Electronic Smoking Device” means any electronic device, the use of which may resemble smoking, which can be used to deliver an inhaled dose of nicotine or other substances to the user. “Electronic Smoking Device” includes any such electronic smoking device, whether manufactured, distributed, marketed, or sold as an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, electronic hookah, vape pen or any other product name or descriptor.

2) “Smoke or Smoking” means inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying any lighted or heated cigar, cigarette, or pipe, or any other lighted or heated tobacco or plant product intended for inhalation, including hookahs and marijuana, whether natural or synthetic, in any manner or in any form. “Smoking” also includes the use of an electronic smoking device which creates an aerosol or vapor, in any manner or in any form.

3) “Tobacco Product” means: (a) Any product containing, made, or derived from tobacco or nicotine that is intended for human consumption, whether smoked, heated, chewed, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, snorted, sniffed, or ingested by any other means, including, but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, little cigars, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, snuff; (b) Any electronic smoking device that delivers nicotine or other substances to the person inhaling from the device, including, but not limited to an electronic cigarette, cigar, pipe, or hookah; (c) “tobacco product” includes any component, part, or accessory of a tobacco product.

4) “Tobacco use” means smoking, chewing, dipping, or any other use of tobacco products, including electronic smoking devices.
Tobacco Use/Possession Prohibited

No student, staff member or school visitor is permitted to use any Tobacco Product at any time, including non-school hours (24/7):

- in any building, facility, or vehicle used by the School for transportation
- on any school grounds and property – including athletic fields and parking lots – owned leased, rented or chartered by The Intergenerational Schools;
- at any school-sponsored or school-related event on-campus or off-campus; or

No student shall possess a tobacco product while in any school building; while on school grounds or property; or at any school-sponsored or school-related event.

In addition, school employees, school volunteers, contractors or other persons performing services on behalf of The Intergenerational Schools also are prohibited from using tobacco products at any time while on duty and in the presence of students, either on or off school grounds.

Tobacco products may be included in instructional or research activities in school buildings, if the activity is conducted or supervised by the staff member overseeing the instruction or research project, and the activity does not include smoking, chewing, or otherwise ingesting the tobacco product.

Enforcement for Students

Consequences for students engaging in the prohibited behavior will be provided in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.

Enforcement for Staff and Visitors

Consequences for employees who violate the Tobacco Policy will be in accordance with personnel policies, including the employee handbook, and may include a verbal warning, written reprimand, or termination. Visitors using tobacco products will be asked to refrain while on school property or leave the premises. Law enforcement officers may be contacted to escort the person off the premises or cite the person for trespassing if the person refuses to leave the school property.