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SCHOOL QUESTIONING

Administrators, teachers, and other professional personnel may question a student regarding the student's own conduct or the conduct of other students. In the context of school discipline, students have no claim to the right not to incriminate themselves.

POLICE OR OTHER AUTHORITIES QUESTIONING

For provisions pertaining to student questioning by law enforcement officials or other lawful authorities, see GRA(LOCAL).

LOCKERS AND VEHICLES

Students have full responsibility for the security of their lockers and vehicles parked on school property and shall make certain they are locked and that the keys and combination are not given to others. Students shall not place, keep, or maintain any article or material in lockers or vehicles parked on school property that is forbidden by District policy.

Lockers and vehicles parked on school property may be searched by school officials if there is reasonable cause to believe they contain articles or materials prohibited by District policy. Students shall be responsible for any prohibited items found in their lockers or vehicles parked on school property.

If a vehicle subject to search is locked, the student shall be asked to unlock the vehicle. If the student refuses, the District shall contact the student's parents. If the parents also refuse to permit the vehicle to be searched, the District may contact local law enforcement officials and turn the matter over to them.

NOTICE OF METAL DETECTOR SEARCHES

Students shall be notified at the beginning of each school year that they are subject to metal detector searches on a random basis.

EQUITABLE USE

To ensure that metal detector searches are conducted uniformly and equitably, school administrators shall:

- Minimize student inconvenience and interference with the educational process;
- Maximize detection and deterrent value by regularly searching significant numbers of students;
- Ensure that patterns are not established that would allow students to avoid searches by predicting the time and location of a search; and
- 4. Avoid the appearance that a particular student or group of students is either being favored or targeted by adopting schemes, well in advance of the search, that leave the operator of the metal detector an absolute minimum of discretion.

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PARENT NOTIFICATION

The student's parent or guardian shall be notified if any prohibited articles or materials are found in a student's locker or vehicle parked on school property, or on the student's person as a result of a search conducted in accordance with this policy.

DRUG-TESTING PROGRAM SCOPE

The District requires drug testing of any student in grades 6–12 who chooses to participate in school-sponsored extracurricular activities and/or students in grades 9-12 that park a motor vehicle oncampus.

A student participating in these activities shall be tested for the presence of illegal drugs and alcohol at the beginning of each school year and/or prior to joining an extracurricular program at any time during the school year.

In addition, students shall be randomly tested throughout the school year.

PURPOSE

The purposes of the drug-testing program are to:

- 1. Prevent injury, illness, and harm resulting from the use of illegal drugs or alcohol;
- 2. Help enforce a drug-free educational environment; and
- 3. Deter student use of illegal and performance-enhancing drugs or alcohol.

DISTRIBUTION OF POLICY

The District shall provide each parent and student a copy of the drug-testing policy and consent form prior to the student's participation in an affected activity.

ORIENTATION MEETINGS

The District shall provide orientation meetings with parents and interested student participants who are new to the District prior to the beginning of the fall practice period.

District employees shall explain the drug-testing program and review the policy and consent form.

CONSENT

Before a student is eligible to participate in extracurricular activities, the student shall be required to sign a consent form agreeing to be subject to the rules and procedures of the drug-testing program. If the student is under the age of 18, the student's parent or guardian shall also sign a consent form. If appropriate consent is not given, the student shall not be allowed to participate in extracurricular activities.

USE OF RESULTS

Drug test results shall be used only to determine eligibility for participation in extracurricular activities. Positive drug test results shall not be used to impose disciplinary sanctions or academic penalties.

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Nevertheless, nothing in this policy shall limit or affect the application of state law, local policy, or the Student Code of Conduct. A student who commits a disciplinary offense shall be subject to consequences in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Drug test results shall be confidential and shall be disclosed only to the student, the student's parents, and designated District officials who need the information in order to administer the drug-testing program. Drug test results shall not be maintained with a student's academic record. Results shall not be otherwise disclosed except as required by law.

TESTING LABORATORY

The Board shall contract with a certified drug-testing laboratory to conduct testing of students' urine samples.

Testing laboratories shall not release statistics regarding the rate of positive drug tests to any person or organization without consent of the District.

SUBSTANCES FOR WHICH TESTS ARE CONDUCTED

The drug-testing laboratory shall test for the presence of alcohol, marijuana, cocaine, methaqualone, benzodiazepines, phencyclidine (PCP), methadone, barbiturates, propoxyphene, amphetamines, opiates, and metabolites of any of these substances.

COLLECTION PROCEDURES

Personnel from the drug-testing laboratory shall collect urine samples under conditions that are no more intrusive than the conditions experienced in a public restroom. When selected for testing, a student shall be escorted to the school's testing site by a District employee and shall remain under employee supervision until the student provides a sample. Samples shall be produced by a student from behind a closed restroom stall. A District employee of the same gender as the student shall be present when any samples are collected.

RANDOM TESTING

Random tests shall be conducted on as many as four dates throughout the school year.

No less than five percent and no more than ten percent of the students participating in the program shall be randomly selected for each random test date.

The drug-testing laboratory shall use a random selection method to identify students chosen for random testing. Students shall not receive prior notice of the testing date or time.

REFUSAL TO TEST OR TAMPERING

A student who refuses to be tested when selected or who is determined to have tampered with a sample shall be deemed to have a positive test result and shall be subject to the appropriate consequences depending on previous positive test results, if any.

If a student is absent on the day of the random test, a sample shall be collected on the next random testing date.

POSITIVE TEST RESULTS

An initial positive test shall be confirmed by a second test of the same specimen before being reported as positive.

Upon receiving results of a positive drug test, the District shall schedule a meeting with the student, the student's parent if the student is under the age of 18, and the coach or sponsor of the extracurricular activity to review the test results and discuss consequences.

The student or parent shall have three school days following the meeting to provide a medical explanation for a positive result.

CONSEQUENCES

Consequences of positive test results shall be cumulative through the student's enrollment in middle school and shall begin anew for high school.

A student who has a confirmed positive drug test shall be subject to the following consequences.

FIRST OFFENSE

Upon the first offense, the student shall be suspended from any extracurricular activity for **30 calendar days following the date the student and parent are notified of the test results.**

During the period of suspension, the student shall not be permitted to participate in practices.

RETESTING

If the student wishes to return to participation in extracurricular activities, the student must be retested at the end of the period of suspension and have a negative test result; the student shall be retested on the next random test date.

SECOND OFFENSE Upon the second offense, the student shall be suspended from any extracurricular activity for 45 calendar days following the date the student and parent are notified of the test results.

The District shall notify the parent and student of drug and alcohol abuse prevention resources available in the area.

THIRD OFFENSE

Upon the third offense, the student shall be suspended from participation in any extracurricular activity for the remainder of the student's enrollment in junior high or high school.

APPEALS

A student or parent may appeal a decision made under this policy in accordance with FNG(LOCAL). The student shall be ineligible for participation in extracurricular activities while the appeal is pending.

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