

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PITTSVILLE  
BOARD POLICY**

## **STUDENTS**

### **STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### **STUDENT CONDUCT**

#### **TOBACCO USE BY STUDENTS**

#### **SMOKE/TOBACCO FREE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT**

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**A. Purpose**

The Pittsville School Board is dedicated to providing a healthy, comfortable, and productive environment for staff, students, and citizens.

**B. Policy**

Therefore, the use of any tobacco products shall be prohibited school district property. Possession of tobacco products by students on school property shall be prohibited.

**C. Background**

Smoking has been identified by the Surgeon General of the United States as the number one health problem in our country. It is the leading cause of premature death, disease, and chronic disability.

Thousands of young people begin smoking each year in Wisconsin and the majority of them go on to become regular, adult smokers. Schools can influence both students and adults in a very positive way by creating a smoke/tobacco free school environment.

**D. Enforcement**

The success of this policy will depend upon the thoughtfulness, consideration, and cooperation of smokers and nonsmokers. All individuals on school premises share in the responsibility for adhering to and enforcing this policy.

1. Students. Any violation of this policy by students shall be subject to building students discipline procedures.
2. Staff. Any violation of this policy by staff shall be dealt with based on established policies, procedures, and bargaining unit contract.
3. Citizens. Citizens who are observed smoking or using tobacco products on school district property shall be asked to refrain from doing so. If the individual fails to comply with the request, they will be referred to appropriate supervisory staff.

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