

SECTION: PUPILS
 TITLE: CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES
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Palmyra Area School District

227. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES	
1. Purpose	The Board recognizes that the misuse of controlled substances is a community problem and is committed to the general principles of education, prevention, intervention, and law enforcement in attempting to respond to this vital community issue. The foremost function of school in drug and alcohol situations is to protect the health, safety and welfare of students and staff. At the same time, consideration must be given to safeguarding the education process and protecting school property.
2. Definition P.L. 233 No. 64 42 P.S. 8337 Act 64 Of 1972 42 P.S. 8337 Pol. 210	For the purposes of this policy, controlled substances shall mean: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All dangerous controlled substances prohibited by law. 2. All look-alike drugs. 3. Any synthetic drug or cannabinoid. 4. All alcoholic beverages. 5. Anabolic steroids. 6. Any drug paraphernalia. 7. Any prescription or patent drug (over-the-counter drug), except those for which permission for use in school has been granted pursuant to Board policy.
3. Guidelines	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The policy, including its rules, regulations and guidelines, is an effort by the District to openly and effectively respond to potential current student uses and abuses of prohibited substances, including nonprescription medications. 2. The District will strive to prevent, educate and intervene in student use and abuse of all prohibited substances. Through its Student Assistance Team, guidance department, school psychologist, faculty, administration and curriculum, Palmyra Area School District's discipline and rehabilitative efforts will be both consistent and firm. All available community resources will be used to promote and maintain a drug-free

school environment.

3. The adopted rules, regulations and guidelines shall be used by all District personnel when situations involve students under the influence of any prohibited substance, students' unlawful or unauthorized use, abuse, sale, distribution and/or possession of any prohibited substance or paraphernalia. District personnel will stand ready to cooperate with law enforcement and other community agencies to promote and insure a drug-free school environment. The District support the enforcement of the Drug-Free School Zone provisions as stipulated in PA Act. No. 31.

Authorization

The Superintendent or designee is authorized to prevent from entering the Palmyra Area School District, any person who possesses, attempts to distribute, or is under the influence of any prohibited substance.

Confidentiality

The privileged confidentiality between students, guidance counselors, school nurses, school psychologists, home and school visitors and other school employees shall be respected. Confidential communications made to school employees shall not be revealed without student or parent consent unless the use of prohibited substances is concluded to affect the student's health and welfare of others.

Violations

A student violates this policy when s/he is under the influence of any prohibited substance, when s/he unlawfully manufactures, uses, possesses, distributes or attempts to distribute any prohibited substance on school premises, at any school sponsored activity at any location, or while traveling to and from school related activities. This includes any student who conspires, aides or abets the use, abuse, possession, constructive possession, or distribution of prohibited substances.

1. Any self-referred or voluntarily-referred student who seeks help for a chemical use/abuse/dependency problem, who is not under the immediate influence of a chemical substance, is not subject to the provisions for first offence violations as outlined in the Administrative Guidelines.
2. When a student is in violation of this policy, s/he is subject to the school discipline policy as follows:

Controlled Substance Policy

Policy applies to all students and is cumulative through Middle School and High School Academic Career

First offense for Drug/Alcohol Use/Possession on District Property and School Activities

- 10 day Out-of-School Suspension
- Police notification

Title 22
Sec. 12.12
42 P.S.
8337

35 P.S.
Sec. 807.1

Act 104 of 1989
42 P.S.
8337
Pol. 233

- Conditional Re-Admittance or Expulsion if Conditions are not agreed upon or met:
 - a. No Level II or greater infractions for remainder of school year
 - b. Non-involved Student:
 - Participation in at least one extracurricular activity acceptable to the School District during the current or next semester of the school year. The student shall notify the Principal or his/her designee of the activity in which he plans to participate no later than the conclusion of the suspension.
 - Upon readmission to the School District, the student shall meet periodically with the Principal or his/her designee for the purpose of monitoring academic progress and participation in extracurricular activities and to discuss social issues, concerns etc.
 - Completion of all classroom work missed during the period of out-of-school suspension and expulsion as reasonably determined by the Administration.
 - c. Involved Student:
 - During 10 day Out-of-School Suspension must complete an administratively approved academic project.
 - Completion of all classroom work missed during the period of out-of-school suspension and expulsion as reasonably determined by the Administration.

First offense for Drug/Alcohol Distribution/Sale on District Property and School Activities

- 10 day Out-of-School Suspension
- Police notification
- Conditional Re-Admittance
 - a. No Level II or greater infractions for remainder of school year
 - b. Non-involved Student:
 - Participation in at least one extracurricular activity acceptable to the School District during the current or next semester of the school year. The student shall notify the Principal or his/her designee of the activity in which he plans to participate no later than the conclusion of the suspension.
 - Upon readmission to the School District, the student shall meet periodically with the Principal or his/her designee for the purpose of monitoring academic progress and participation in extracurricular activities and to discuss social issues, concerns etc.
 - Completion of all classroom work missed during the period of out-of-school suspension and expulsion as reasonably determined by the Administration.
 - c. Involved Student:
 - During 10 day OSS must complete an administratively

<p>35 P.S. Sec. 807.1</p> <p>Act 104 of 1989 42 P.S. 8337 Pol. 233</p>	<p>approved academic project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Completion of all classroom work missed during the period of out-of-school suspension and expulsion as reasonably determined by the Administration. <p>d. Depending upon circumstances referral to Board for expulsion</p> <p><u>Second offense for D & A Use/Possession on District Property and School Activities</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) 10 day Out-of-School Suspension2) Police notification3) Recommendation for expulsion4) No conditional re-admittance5) Alternative Education placement <p><u>Second offense for D & A Distribution/Sale on District Property and School Activities</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) 10 day Out-of-School Suspension2) Police notification3) Recommendation for expulsion4) No conditional re-admittance5) Alternative Education placement <p>3. When a student is in violation of this policy, she/he may be referred to the Student Assistance Team.</p> <p><u>Prohibition of Anabolic Steroids</u></p> <p>Eligibility for participation in school athletics shall be limited. A student shall be eligible to resume participation in school athletics unless there has been a medical determination that no residual evidence of steroids exists. The Board may require participation in any drug counseling, rehabilitation, testing or other programs as a condition of reinstatement into a school athletic program.</p> <p>The use of steroids by students involved in athletics is prohibited. In addition to the prohibition of use, the Board directs the administration to develop educational plans regarding the use of anabolic steroids.</p> <p>The Superintendent shall prescribe, implement and enforce rules and regulations to prohibit the use of anabolic steroids, except for a valid medical purpose, by any student involved in school related athletics. Bodybuilding and muscle enhancement of athletic ability are not valid medical purposes. Human Growth Hormone (HGH) shall not be included as an anabolic steroid under the provisions of the law.</p> <p>Education regarding the dangers of anabolic steroids shall be provided in other District drug and alcohol programs.</p> <p>The following minimum penalties are prescribed for any student found in violation of the rules and regulations required above. Violation of rules and</p>
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regulations include:

- For a first violation, suspension from school athletics for the remainder of the season.
- For a second violation, suspension from school athletics for the remainder of the season and for the following season.
- For a third violation, permanent suspension from school athletics.

Students should be made aware that anabolic steroids are classified as controlled substances and that the use, unauthorized possession, purchasing, or selling could subject them to suspension, expulsion and/or criminal prosecution.