

**TOBACCO USE AND POSSESSION**

In order to promote the health, welfare and safety of students, staff and visitors and to promote the cleanliness of all facilities, the M.S.A.D. #49 School Board prohibits smoking and all other use of tobacco products in school buildings and other school unit facilities, on school buses and on school grounds at all times by all persons.

In addition, students are further prohibited from possessing, selling, distributing or dispensing tobacco products in school buildings, facilities and on school grounds and buses during school-sponsored events and at all other times.

Employees and all other persons are also strictly prohibited, under law and Board policy, from selling, distributing or in any way dispensing tobacco products to students.

Legal References:     22 MRSA § 1578(B); 1580(A)(3)  
                              Me. PL 470 (An Act to Reduce Tobacco Use By Minors)  
                              20 USC § 4301 et seq. (Pro-Children Act of 2001)

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