

Stewart County Board of Education

Monitoring: Review: Annually, in August	Descriptor Term: Tobacco-Free Schools	Descriptor Code: 1.803	Issued Date: 09/13/18
		Rescinds: 1.803	Issued: 07/09/15

- 1 All uses of tobacco and tobacco products, including smokeless tobacco, electronic cigarettes, and
2 associated paraphernalia, are prohibited in all of the school district's buildings and in all vehicles that are
3 owned, leased, or operated by the district.^{1,2} Smoking shall be prohibited in any public seating areas
4 including, but not limited to, bleachers used for sporting events or public restrooms.³
- 5 District employees and students in the school district will not be permitted to use tobacco or tobacco
6 products, including smokeless tobacco, electronic cigarettes, and associated paraphernalia, while they
7 are participants in any class or activity in which they represent the school district.
- 8 Any student who possesses tobacco products shall be issued a citation by the school principal/resource
9 officer.⁴ The director of schools, in cooperation with the juvenile court and the local police/sheriff's
10 department, is responsible for developing procedures for issuance of citations which shall include the
11 form and content of the citation and methods of handling completed citations. Parents and students shall
12 be notified of this at the beginning of each school year.
- 13 Signs will be posted throughout the district's facilities to notify students, employees, and all other persons
14 visiting the school that the use of tobacco and tobacco products is forbidden. The following notice shall
15 be prominently posted (including at each ticket booth) for elementary or secondary school sporting
16 events: *Smoking is prohibited by law in seating areas and in restrooms.*⁵

Legal References

1. 20 USCA § 6083;
2. TCA 39-17-1604(6)
3. TCA 39-17-1604(10)
4. TCA 39-17-1505
5. TCA 39-17-1605

Cross References

Community Use of School Facilities 3.206