

# SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: EMPLOYEES

TITLE: TOBACCO

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323. TOBACCO	
1. Purpose	The Board recognizes that tobacco presents a health and safety hazard that can have serious consequences for the user and the nonuser and the safety of the schools.
2. Definition 35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5	For purposes of this policy, <b>tobacco</b> includes a lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, pipe or other smoking product or material and smokeless tobacco in any form.
3. Authority 35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7183	The Board prohibits tobacco use by administrative, professional, confidential and support employees in a school building and on any property, buses, vans and vehicles that are owned, leased or controlled by the school district.
35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5	The district shall annually notify employees about the Board’s tobacco policy by distributing it through handbooks, newsletters, posted notices, and other efficient methods.
4. Guidelines SC 1302.1-A, 1303-A Title 22 Sec. 10.2, 10.22 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6305 Pol. 805.1	The Superintendent or designee may report incidents involving the sale of tobacco to minors by employees on school property, at any school-sponsored activity or on a conveyance providing transportation to or from a school or school-sponsored activity to the local police department that has jurisdiction over the school’s property, in accordance with state law and regulations, the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement and Board policies.
SC 1303-A Pol. 805.1	In accordance with state law, the Superintendent shall annually, by July 31, report incidents of possession, use or sale of tobacco on school property to the Office for Safe Schools on the required form.
Pol. 317	Violations of this policy may constitute cause for disciplinary action, in accordance with applicable provisions of an administrative compensation plan, individual contract, collective bargaining agreement and/or Board policy.

References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1302.1-A, 1303-A

State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 10.2, 10.22

Sale of Tobacco – 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6305

School Tobacco Control – 35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5

Pro-Children Act of 2001 – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7181 et seq.

Board Policy – 317, 805.1