

BOARD POLICY

Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District

Students

5131.10 - BP

TOBACCO FREE SCHOOLS

The Board of the Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District recognizes that smoking presents a health hazard which can have serious consequences for the smoker and nonsmoker. As such, the board believes that it must take all steps practical to discourage all students from smoking and using any tobacco product.

The board and staff of the Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District have the responsibility and duty to protect the health and safety of all students. It shall, therefore, be the policy of the Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District to prohibit the possession and/or use of any tobacco substances or paraphernalia, by students while on school grounds, in school buildings, or at school sponsored activities or while under the supervision and control of school district employees. Prohibited products include any product containing tobacco or nicotine, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, miniature cigars, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew, clove cigarettes, and betel. Vaporizing delivery devices such as electronic cigarettes are also prohibited.

The board also recognizes the importance of prevention and intervention activities in influencing students to avoid or discontinue the use of tobacco. Schools shall provide comprehensive programs on smoking prevention and cessation and a supportive, nonsmoking environment to counteract peer influences and role models that encouraging smoking. Prevention programs shall focus on classroom instruction and parent education, while intervention efforts shall emphasize the involvement of students, parents, law enforcement, and community agencies (see District Policy and Administrative Regulation 5131.6, Alcohol and Other Drugs).

Disciplinary actions related to the use of tobacco substances shall be enforced under District Policy 5114.2, Pupil Suspension, and District Policy 5114.3, Pupil Expulsion. This policy shall also be incorporated into the behavior code and discipline procedures of each school.

Legal Reference:	<u>Title V</u>	Section 80130	Code of Ethics of the Teaching Profession
	<u>Education Code</u>	Section 48901 Section 11007 Section 11364	Health & Safety Code

Cross Reference: Board Policy

Section 5114.2
Section 5114.3
Section 5131.6

Pupil Suspension
Pupil Expulsion
Alcohol and Other Drugs

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