

MIDDLETOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES

TITLE: TOBACCO PRODUCTS

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523. TOBACCO PRODUCTS	
1. Purpose	<p>The Board recognizes that smoking during school hours and on school property presents a health and safety hazard which can have serious consequences for the smoker and the nonsmoker and the safety of the district and is, therefore, of concern to the Board. Also, the health education curriculum stresses health practices which discourage the use of tobacco in any form for the students.</p> <p>The Long Range Plan for the school district has made health practices a district priority. The district feels the need to establish a good example for students by prohibiting the use of tobacco in any form.</p>
2. Authority 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7181 et seq 35 P.S. 1223.5	<p>The Board strictly prohibits smoking and/or the use of tobacco in any form by classified employees in all school district buildings, on school buses, in district vehicles or while supervising students at any location. Further, the use of tobacco products is prohibited on school grounds when school is in session.</p>
3. Delegation of Responsibility	<p>Building administrators shall be responsible for enforcing this policy in their respective buildings under guidelines developed by the school district.</p>
4. Guidelines	<p>A program in conjunction with the American Cancer Society will be scheduled for any classified employee desiring help to break the habit of smoking.</p>