

**RYE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**RYE, NEW YORK**

**5312.1**

**ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE USE/ABUSE**

The District encourages the prevention of alcohol and/or other substance use/abuse by students. No student may use, possess, sell, distribute or manufacture alcohol and/or other substances, or use or possess drug paraphernalia, on school grounds or at school-sponsored events, except drugs as prescribed by a physician. The inappropriate use of prescription and over-the-counter drugs is also prohibited. The Health Office has procedures for the administration of physician-prescribed medications at school.

The term “alcohol and/or other substances” shall be construed throughout this policy to refer to the use of all substances including, but not limited to, alcohol, inhalants, marijuana, cocaine, LSD, PCP, amphetamines, heroin, steroids and other performance enhancing drugs, look-alikes, any of those substances commonly referred to as "designer drugs", and the inappropriate use of over the counter drugs and prescription drugs or any other chemical substance which is deliberately ingested to produce psychological or physiological effects.

Additionally, the following persons are prohibited on school grounds or at school-sponsored events:

- Any person exhibiting behavior, conduct or personal or physical characteristics indicative of having used or consumed alcohol and/or other substances,
- Any person who school personnel have reasonable grounds to suspect has used or is in possession of alcohol and/or other substances.

Any staff member observing possession or usage of alcohol and/or other substances by students on school grounds or at school-sponsored events shall report the incident immediately to the School Principal or his/her designee. The School Principal or his/her designee shall then seek immediate action, including notification of the Superintendent. Any alcohol and/or other substances found shall be confiscated immediately, followed by notification of the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the student(s) involved and the appropriate disciplinary action taken, up to and including suspension and referral for prosecution. In its effort to maintain a drug-free environment, the District shall cooperate to the fullest extent possible with local, state and/or federal law enforcement agencies.

Cross Ref:

1530 Smoking and Tobacco Use on School Premises  
5312 Prohibited Conduct by Students  
5420 Student Health Services  
9320 Drug-Free Workplace  
Rye City School District Code of Conduct

Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act, 20 USC §§3171 *et seq.*

Drug-Free Schools and Campuses, 34 CFR Part 86

Public Law 101-226

Education Law §§804; 912-a; 3214

General Municipal Law §239-u

Mental Hygiene Law §19.07(c)

Penal Law §§220.00 *et seq.*

Public Health Law, Article 33

8 NYCRR §§100.2(c); 135.3

*New Jersey v. T.L.O.*, 105 S.Ct. 733 (1985)

*Odenheim v. Carlstadt-East Rutherford Region School District*, 211 N.J.Super. 54, 510 AD2d 709 (1985)

*People v. Scott D.*, 34 NY2d 483 (1974)

*Matter of Wilson*, 28 EDR 254 (1988)

*Matter of Pollnow*, 22 EDR 547 (1983)

*Matter of Vetter*, 20 EDR 547 (1981)

*Matter of Rodriguez*, 8 EDR 214 (1969)

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