

## Board of Education Nicola Similkameen School District Policy

Success for All Learners ~Today and Tomorrow

## POLICY 5.20 CONTROLLED AND REGULATED SUBSTANCES

The Board of Education recognizes that to provide the greatest opportunity for healthy student growth and development, the school environment must be free from controlled and regulated substances including drugs, alcohol, cannabis, tobacco products, vaping devices and ecigarettes.

The Board will support students by providing informed, age-appropriate education and information. The Board encourages efforts to prevent and intervene in substance misuse among students, including the development and delivery of resources, the promotion of prevention programs, and the implementation of school and community-based efforts aimed at supporting students.

Use and/or possession of controlled and regulated substances, on school property or during school-authorized trips or activities represents a serious violation of the code of conduct, and violations will be subject to disciplinary action and, if necessary, police involvement.