## EASTERN SCHOOL DISTRICT

CODE: ADC

## POLICY STATEMENT

SUBJECT: Tobacco Product Usage Ban

DATE OF ADOPTION: May 10, 2000

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 5, 2000

SUPERSEDES:

**CROSS REFERENCE:** 

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The Eastern School District Board promotes a safe, healthy environment for all students, employees, and visitors to our property and facilities. The Board recognizes the danger to health of all users of our District property through the exposure to the use of tobacco products and prohibits any tobacco product usage in Eastern School District facilities or on Eastern School District property. Accepted research has indicated that the two key issues in reducing tobacco product usage are the availability of the product and the opportunity to use the product.

The Board will promote education and public awareness through the use of signage and authorized educational programs.

The Board will follow the principle of the Duty of Care in the implementation of this policy. This means that the District will demonstrate the following: respect for the rights of all individuals to benefit from a safe and healthy environment; fair procedural treatment; and persistent and diligent effort to encourage successful behaviour.

The Board further recognizes that tobacco usage is a wide societal issue and will work with other partners in the PEI Tobacco Reduction Alliance to reduce tobacco product usage among people who use our property.

The Board will implement this policy through the use of regulations which will deal with public education, educational programs, prevention activities, cessation programs, and enforcement and compliance.

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