

## LIVINGSTON PARISH SCHOOLS MANDATORY DRUG POLICY

*The Livingston Parish School System is dedicated to providing a safe, drug-free environment for students and employees. The use of illicit drugs is unlawful and harmful. Adherence to these standards is mandatory.*

The Board directs that each student shall be specifically prohibited from being under the influence of, bringing, consuming, or having in his/her possession or possessing with intent to distribute or distributing on a school bus, on school premises, or at any school function away from the school, any alcoholic beverages, intoxicating liquors, narcotic drugs, prescription medications, marijuana, inhalants, imitation or counterfeit of a controlled substance, or other controlled substance as defined by state statutes unless dispensed by a licensed physician as allowed by law.

- A. When a student is found to be under the influence of and/or in possession of alcoholic beverages, or possession of a counterfeit of a controlled substance or look alike drugs, or in possession of related drug paraphernalia, the principal/designee shall follow these steps:
1. **FIRST OFFENSE:**  
The student shall be suspended for a minimum of three days and the legal guardian is contacted.
  2. **SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES:**  
The student shall be recommended for expulsion following the provisions and guidelines set forth in state law.
- B. When a student is found guilty of possession of, or knowledge of and intentional distribution of or possession with intent to distribute any illegal narcotic, drug, or other controlled substance on school property, on a school bus, or at a school sponsored event, the principal/designee shall follow these steps:
1. A student sixteen (16) years of age or older shall be recommended for expulsion for a minimum of four complete school semesters.
  2. Any student in grades six (6) through twelve (12) and under the age of sixteen (16) shall be recommended for expulsion for a minimum of two complete school semesters.
  3. Notify the parent/guardian by phone. If the parent/guardian cannot be reached by phone, notify by sending a letter within twenty-four (24) hours.
  4. Notify the proper law enforcement agency.
  5. Any case involving a student in kindergarten through grade five shall be referred to the local board through a recommendation for action from the superintendent.

At all times, the student's rights to due process and confidentiality shall be maintained in compliance with all state and federal laws.

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Student Signature

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date