

**BREATHALYZER USE AT SCHOOL & STUDENT SOCIAL EVENTS**

Students who consume alcohol pose a direct safety risk to themselves, staff, other students and the community-at-large.

In order to ensure a safe environment, the Board authorizes building principals and their designees to administer breathalyzer tests to students on school property or vehicles or while they are attending school-sponsored events, wherever such activities take place, when there is a reasonable suspicion that a student has consumed alcohol.

Reasonable suspicion may include, but is not limited to, a student's physical impairment, odor of alcohol, unusual behavior, bloodshot or glassy eyes, or any other behavior or information that leads the Principal/designee to suspect that the student has consumed alcohol.

A breathalyzer reading indicating that a student has consumed alcohol will be used, along with any other relevant information, in determining that a violation of school policy has occurred. Students shall be disciplined in accordance with the Board's Drug and Alcohol Use by Students Policy. A student who refuses to take a breathalyzer test when a Principal/designee has reasonable suspicion that he/she may be under the influence of alcohol may be disciplined.

Cross Reference: JICH - Chemical Dependency, JICHA - Alcohol and Chemical Abuse Policy and Procedure, JJ - Extra and Co-Curricular for High School,

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