

DRINKING/DRUGS

Summary relating to the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act: Drug and alcohol use is wrong and harmful. Personal dangers include damage to body systems, addiction, and death. Information on help that is available for dealing with drug or alcohol problems is available in the guidance offices.

In support of the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act, Brandon Valley School District #49-2 enacts the following policy: No student shall possess, use, sell or dispense any controlled or mind altering substance, including, but not limited to, inhalants, drugs, alcoholic liquor, wine, beer, etc., at a school activity or on school property which includes buildings, grounds, parking lot and school buses. Any student who reports to school or an activity with evidence of having used the above substances shall be subject to the violations. Violation could result in referral to a law enforcement agency and/or Student Assistance Program.

At the discretion of the school superintendent, a search of school property by drug detection canines (drug dogs) will be scheduled unannounced. Building principals will be present during any search. School counselors may be present at the discretion of the principal. If the canine unit alerts, the law enforcement personnel will conduct a search. If illegal drugs are found, the law enforcement personnel will conduct a search. If illegal drugs are found, the law enforcement personnel will seek out and question the suspected offender(s). After the identity of the person possessing the illegal drugs is established, an arrest will be made immediately. If illegal drugs are not found, the identification of the student will be disclosed to the school counselor who will then contact the parents of the identified student to make them aware their child's locker was alerted. All identification and procedures are carried out in confidence in order to protect the student(s) involved.

Any student that distributes (sells or gives) any medication, illegal drug, or alcohol to another student on school district property or at a school district event will face a range of consequences including but not limited to short-term suspension, long-term suspension, out-of-school placement and expulsion.

Any student that possesses or is under the influence of medication that has not been prescribed for them by a doctor.