



AP 4-203 – SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Western School Division provides the highest possible standard of learning environment for its students. Western School Division and its staff share a strong interest in the social and personal health and well-being of all.

Western School Division recognizes that substance abuse affects mental and physical health. The misuse of alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs and pharmaceuticals are detrimental.

Western School Division's position is that alcohol, tobacco and other drugs, other than those medically prescribed, are not to be used by, nor in the possession of individuals during school activities or student-related activities, either on or off school property. Furthermore, no student is to be under the influence of alcohol or non-prescribed drugs during school programs, activities or events. No student is to be in attendance at any school program, activity, or event after misusing a substance.

Schools provide an environment, which is alcohol, tobacco and other drug free and provide support services to students and to the families of students involved detrimentally with alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.

Schools in Western School Division will have policies and procedures in place to guide staff, students and parents. The major components of the approach to alcohol, tobacco and other drug use and their attendant problems are:

- a) Prevention
- b) Intervention
- c) Counselling and Rehabilitation
- d) Staff Development
- e) Policy Communication
- f) Evaluation

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