

## **The Vanguard School**

### **POLICY: Vanguard JICH – Drug and Alcohol Use by Students**

**POLICY ADOPTED: 2-18-2020**

It shall be a violation of board policy and considered to be behavior which is detrimental to the welfare or safety of other students or school personnel for any student to possess, use, sell, distribute, exchange, or procure or to be under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other controlled substances.

For purposes of this policy, controlled substances include but are not limited to alcoholic beverages, narcotic drugs, hallucinogenic or mind-altering drugs or substances, amphetamines, barbiturates, stimulants, depressants, marijuana, anabolic steroids, any other controlled substances as defined in law, or any prescription or nonprescription drug, medicine, or other chemical substances not taken in accordance with the board policy on administering medicines to students.

The policy also includes substances that are represented by or to the student to be any such controlled substance or what the student believes to be any such substance.

This policy shall apply to any student who is on school property, in attendance at or taking part in any school sponsored or sanctioned activity, in a school vehicle or whose conduct at any time or place interferes with the operations of the school or the safety or welfare of students or employees.

Students violating this policy at any time while enrolled at The Vanguard School shall be subject to discipline as delineated in The Vanguard School's Conduct and Discipline Code up to and including expulsion from school for up to 12 calendar months.

Expulsion shall be mandatory upon the first offense of sale or distribution of drugs or other controlled substances, in accordance with state law.

Situations in which a student seeks counseling or information from a professional staff member for the purpose of overcoming substance abuse shall be handled on an individual basis depending upon the nature and particulars of the case.

Legal Ref:    CRS 18-18-102 (3), (5)                      CRS 18-18-407 (2)                      CRS 22-1-110  
                    CRS 22-32-109.1 (2)(a)(VII)                      CRS 22-33-106 (1)(d)

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