



## **The Glenfir School Policies and Procedures**

**Policy: Tobacco Free Environment**  
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### **Introduction**

As a component of the **Comprehensive School Health Policy**, The Board believes that all students and employees of The Glenfir School have a right to be educated in and work in a tobacco free environment.

### **Policy**

In accordance with this belief, as part of legislation and Bill 10 - 2007 Tobacco Sales (Banning Tobacco and Smoking in Public Places and Schools) Amendment Act, 2007 effective September 2007, the Board directs that as per Section 2.2.(2)

- A person must not smoke or use tobacco or hold lighted tobacco, in or on school property.
- This means that any use of tobacco is prohibited on all grounds and in all buildings and vehicles (including within 7.5 meters of) owned or leased by the school, as well as private vehicles driven by parents for the purposes of transporting children, other than their own, for school related activities.
- This prohibition applies to all staff, students, visitors, facility renters and users, contractors and other members of the public at all times, including evenings and weekends.
- The only exemption to this Policy is the ceremonial use of tobacco where that activity is performed in relation to a traditional aboriginal cultural activity, or performed by a prescribed group for a prescribed purpose.
- The Board encourages participation in tobacco cessation programs, and instruction on the hazards of tobacco use will be provided for students within the comprehensive school health curriculum.

### **Reference:**

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