

# MUHLENBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: EMPLOYEES

TITLE: TOBACCO USE

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323. TOBACCO USE	
1. Purpose	The Board recognizes that tobacco use during school hours and on school property presents a health and safety hazard that can have serious consequences for the user and the nonuser and the safety of the schools.
2. Definition 35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5	For purposes of this policy, <b>tobacco</b> use shall mean all use of tobacco, including cigars, cigarettes, pipes and smokeless tobacco.
3. Authority 35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7183	The Board prohibits tobacco use by administrative, professional and support employees, substitutes, contractors, sub-contractors and volunteers in a school building and on any property, buses, vans and vehicles that are owned, leased or controlled by the school district.
35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5	The Board prohibits tobacco use by district employees, substitutes and volunteers at school-sponsored activities that are held off school property.
35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5	The district shall annually notify employees about the Board's tobacco use policy by distributing it through handbooks, newsletters, posted notices, and other efficient methods.
SC 1303-A	Incidents of possession, use and sale of tobacco by any person on school property shall be reported to the Office of Safe Schools on the required form at least once each year.
	References:  School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1303-A  School Tobacco Control – 35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5  Pro-Children Act of 2001 – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7181 et seq.