

DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

No student in the Lake Hamilton School District shall possess, attempt to possess, consume, use, distribute, sell, attempt to sell, give to any person, or be under the influence of any substance defined in this policy, or what the student represents or believes to be any substance defined in this policy. This policy applies to any student who is on or about school property; is in attendance at school or any school sponsored activity; has left the school campus for any reason and returns to the campus; is en route to or from school or any school sponsored activity.

Prohibited substances shall include, but are not limited to, alcohol, or any alcoholic beverage, inhalants that alter a student's ability to act, think or respond, LSD, or any other hallucinogen, marijuana, cocaine, heroine, or any other narcotic drug, PCP, amphetamines, steroids, "designer drugs," look-alike drugs, or any controlled substance.

Selling, distributing, possessing, or attempting to sell or distribute, or using over-the-counter or prescription drugs is prohibited. Consequences: Grades 6-12 10 days out of school suspension with referral to juvenile authorities or 10 days out of school suspension with the recommendation for expulsion.

SECOND CHANCE PROGRAM

Students who are recommended for expulsion for violation of district drug and alcohol policy **MAY** be eligible to appeal to the Superintendent of Schools for placement in the "Second Chance Program" to avoid expulsion. This request must be made directly to the superintendent by the parent or guardian and/or the student. This program is designed to allow eligible students a possibility of continuing as a Lake Hamilton student under a strict probation and with specific limitations if they meet the following:

- (1) The student cannot have previously been suspended or recommended for expulsion for violation of the drug/alcohol policy.
- (2) The parent and student must agree to be enrolled in and agree to complete participation in the school approved drug/alcohol abuse program. The school approved program is provided and administered by the professionals at the Quapaw House.
- (3) The student agrees to participate in the drug/alcohol testing, counseling, and required meetings prescribed by the drug/alcohol abuse program. The program administrators will notify the school if the student fails to meet all of the requirements of their program.
- (4) The parent and student agree to assume a portion of the cost of the drug/alcohol abuse program as determined by the parent, the Quapaw House and the superintendent.
- (5) Parents and students requesting enrollment in the "Second Chance Program" agree to waive the right to a hearing before the school board on the expulsion should the student fail to meet the terms of the program and be recommended for expulsion during the probationary period.

Students who meet these requirements may request probationary status from the Superintendent of Schools after they serve the Ten (10) Day Out of School Suspension. If approved, the student may have their recommendation for expulsion modified by the superintendent and will be placed in the "Second Chance Program."

Parents making the request for this probationary status must contact the Superintendent of Schools and arrange for a meeting with the superintendent. Those in attendance at this meeting will include the superintendent, an administrator from the student's school, a school counselor, the student, and their parent or guardian. The superintendent may, after reviewing the information provided, choose to allow the student to attend school on a probationary status for the remainder of the expulsion term.

Students who are placed on probationary status will be allowed to attend school as long as the student satisfactorily completes the drug/alcohol abuse program. In addition, the student must meet all prescribed stipulations dealing with school attendance, academic performance, student disciplinary restrictions and other restrictions deemed appropriate by the superintendent. A student who fails to meet all requirements of the drug/alcohol abuse program or violates the agreed upon terms of the "Second Chance Program," will be considered in violation of the probation and will be recommended for expulsion.