

<p style="text-align: center;">CASWELL COUNTY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PERSONNEL</u> Use of Tobacco Products</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">736</p>
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The purpose of public schools is to educate children. Education is conducted both through the academic curriculum and by example. Therefore, it is important that all staff members and the public strive to be personal examples of what is taught that contributes to healthful living.

The school curriculum teaches the harmful effects caused by tobacco use. Medical evidence clearly shows that use of tobacco poses a significant risk to the health of the user. Furthermore, new research indicates that exposure to secondhand smoke seriously threatens the health of non-smokers.

In an effort to reinforce the teaching of the harmful effects of tobacco use and to provide a healthful working environment for employees, students, and the public, the Caswell County Board of Public Education directs that there be no tobacco use by anyone, in school facilities, on school campuses, and in or on any other school property owned, or operated by the local school administrative unit.

This policy further prohibits the use of all tobacco products by persons attending a school-sponsored event at a location not listed in this subsection when in the presence of students or school personnel or in an area where smoking is otherwise prohibited by law.

This revised policy takes affect when mandated by State Law 115C-407, which is August 1, 2008.

Violation of this policy will result in disciplinary action of Board employees; all others will be asked to refrain from tobacco use or remove themselves from school board property.