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## **MARIJUANA POLICY**

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Despite the passage of State Question 788, the use, possession, sale, or distribution of marijuana (including medical marijuana, edibles and products containing marijuana) on any school owned or controlled property is illegal and against Buffalo Valley School policies. Specifically, possession or use (including smoking or consuming) marijuana is not allowed on any school property (including parking lots) or at school-sponsored activities. Additionally, you may not come to class or work under the influence of any illegal substance, including marijuana.

### **Federal Law**

Buffalo Valley School receives federal funding through numerous Title programs grants and Child Nutrition Program. As a condition of accepting those federal funds, Buffalo Valley School is legally bound to comply with the Federal Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act, which mandates the implementation of drug prevention programs and prohibits the use of illegal drugs on campus or at school-sponsored events and activities. The school must also comply with the Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act, which describes the drug-free policies required at workplaces with certain federal contracts. Further, the school must also comply with the Federal Controlled Substances Act, which criminalizes the growth and use of marijuana and makes no distinction between medical and recreational marijuana use.

### **Medical Marijuana**

Because marijuana remains illegal under federal law, even those persons with a valid medical marijuana license are strictly prohibited from using or possessing medical marijuana on the campus or property of Buffalo Valley School or at events authorized or supervised by the school.

### **Disciplinary Actions**

It is illegal for students, employees, or any other persons to use, be under the influence, manufacture, possess, cultivate, distribute, purchase, or sell any alcohol and/or drugs (illegal and/or dangerous or controlled substance, including marijuana) and/or any drug paraphernalia while on any campus or school-owned property, and/or at any function authorized or supervised by the school, and/or in state-owned or leased vehicles. Students and employees found responsible for selling or distributing marijuana on campus will be subject to disciplinary action(s); students and employees found responsible for using or possessing marijuana on campus (even those with a valid medical marijuana license) will be subject to disciplinary action(s); and, students and employees found responsible for using or possessing marijuana off campus on a school activity or event (without a valid medical marijuana license) will be subject to disciplinary action(s). Violations of this policy are considered serious infractions. Individuals who violate this policy shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary actions. Student disciplinary actions may include warnings, suspension or expulsion. Employee disciplinary actions may include warnings, probation, restrictions, suspension, demotion, or termination.