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Saint Paul Public Schools Policy

413.01

413.01 CHEMICAL USE AND ABUSE

1. It is the policy of this school district to provide an instructional program in every elementary and secondary school in chemical abuse and the prevention of chemical dependency.
2. The school district shall establish and maintain in every school a chemical abuse pre-assessment team as required under Minnesota Statute 121A.25-29.
3. It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent, with the advice of the school board, to establish a school and community advisory team (which shall report to the superintendent or the superintendent's designee) to address chemical abuse problems in the district.
4. The school district shall establish and maintain a program to educate and assist employees, students and others in understanding this policy and the goals of achieving drug-free schools and drug-free workplaces.

DEFINITIONS

1. "Chemical abuse" means use of any psychoactive or mood-altering chemical substance, without compelling medical reason, in a manner that induces mental, emotional or physical impairment and causes socially dysfunctional or socially disordering behavior, to the extent that the student's normal function in academic, school, or social activities is chronically impaired.
2. "Chemicals" includes but is not limited to alcohol, toxic substances and controlled substances as defined in the school district's Drug-Free Workplace and Drug-Free Schools policies.

LEGAL REFERENCES:

Minn. Stat. § 121A.25-121A.29 (Chemical Abuse)

CROSS REFERENCES:

Drug-Free Workplace (413.00)
Drug-Free Schools (504.00)
Students – Medications/Medical Procedures (516.00)