SOUTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES

TITLE: TOBACCO

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Policy 1338

523. TOBACCO

1. Purpose

The Board recognizes that tobacco presents a health and safety hazard which 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, **tobacco** includes a lighted or unlighted cigar, cigarette, pipe, or other smoking product or material and smokeless tobacco in any form.

3. Authority 35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7183 The Board prohibits tobacco use by classified employees in school buildings, and on property, buses, vans, and vehicles owned, leased, or controlled by the school district.

4. Guidelines SC 1302.1-A, 1303-A Title 22 Sec. 10.2, 10.22 19 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6305 A violation of this policy may be punishable by a civil fine. The Superintendent or designee may report incidents involving the sale of tobacco to minors by employees on school property, at any school-sponsored activity or on a conveyance providing transportation to or from a school or school-sponsored activity to the local police department that has jurisdiction over the school's property, in accordance with state law and regulations, the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement and Board policies.

SC 1303-A

In accordance with state law, the Superintendent shall annually report incidents of possession, use or sale of tobacco on school property to the Office for Safe Schools on the required form.

References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1302.1-A, 1303-A

State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 10.2, 10.22

Sale of Tobacco - 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6305

School Tobacco Control – 35 P.S. Sec. 1223.5

Pro-Children Act of 2001 – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7181 et seq.