

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #298 (2001-2002)

June 10, 2002

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: REVISIONS TO SCHOOL BOARD POLICY 451.3  
ILLEGAL DRUG/ALCOHOL (SECOND READING)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board approve on Second Reading, the proposed policy changes for School Board Policy 451.3, Illegal Drug/Alcohol, as shown on Attachment A.

PERTINENT FACTS:

Recommendation for revisions to School Board Policy 451.3, Illegal Drug/Alcohol, were forwarded to the Board for First Reading on May 13, 2002. During that discussion, it was requested that the opportunity for students to reduce the number of suspension days on a first offense by meeting certain criteria be included in policy language.

In preparing the original recommendation, the Policy Committee met twice with executive directors and supervisors from elementary, middle and high school divisions, as well as representative school administrators to discuss the effectiveness of existing policy language concerning drugs and alcohol. Changes were made for clarity and to better organize the material for ready reference. Additionally, examples of drug paraphernalia were deleted since existing policy could not represent a complete listing of drug ingesting apparatus. Legal citations on Attachment A were verified by counsel.

The Policy Committee also forwarded to the full School Board their thoughts on desired changes in drug/alcohol sanctions for a time when funding becomes available. (Attachment B)

CC/PM

Attachments

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