



CHAPTER 115C
ARTICLE 29A - POLICY PROHIBITING USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS

N.C.G.S. § 115C-407.

Policy prohibiting tobacco use in school buildings, grounds, and at school-sponsored events.

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- § 115C-407(a)

Not later than August 1, 2008, local boards of education shall adopt, implement, and enforce a written policy prohibiting at all times the use of any tobacco product by any person in school buildings, in school facilities, on school campuses, and in or on any other school property owned or operated by the local school administrative unit. The policy shall further prohibit 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.
- § 115C-407(b)

The policy shall include at least all of the following elements:

 - (1) Adequate notice to students, parents, the public, and school personnel of the policy.
 - (2) Posting of signs prohibiting at all times the use of tobacco products by any person in and on school property.
 - (3) Requirements that school personnel enforce the policy.
- § 115C-407(c)

The policy may permit tobacco products to be included in instructional or research activities in public school buildings if the activity is conducted or supervised by the faculty member overseeing the instruction or research and the activity does not include smoking, chewing, or otherwise ingesting the tobacco product.

§ 115C-407(d) The North Carolina Health and Wellness Trust Fund Commission shall work with local boards of education to provide assistance with the implementation of this policy including providing information regarding smoking cessation and prevention resources. Nothing in this section, G.S. 143-595 through G.S. 143-601, or any other section prohibits a local board of education from adopting and enforcing a more restrictive policy on the use of tobacco in school buildings, in school facilities, on school campuses, or at school-related or school-sponsored events, and in or on other school property. (2003-421, s. 1; 2007-236, s. 1.)

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2 AUTHORITIES

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 143-595	(d)	"prevention resources. Nothing in this section,"
G.S. 143-601	(d)	"in this section, G.S. 143-595 through"

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

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