

EMPLOYEE TOBACCO USE

Smoking, chewing or otherwise consuming any tobacco or tobacco product in any East Baton Rouge Parish School Board elementary or secondary school building, other building, or vehicle shall be strictly prohibited.

Smoking, carrying a lighted cigar or cigarette, pipe or any other form of smoking object or device shall be prohibited on the grounds of any elementary or secondary school property, all offices of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board, and all other Board property (including portable buildings, field houses, stadiums, equipment storage areas, etc.), except in areas specifically designated as smoking areas. Such outdoor areas shall be established by each principal or building administrator.

Smoking or the use of any tobacco product in any form shall be prohibited on any school bus or vehicle used to transport children attending any public elementary or secondary school by any School Board employee, whether bus operator, activity bus driver, substitute driver/teacher, or otherwise. Additionally, this prohibition shall apply to the transportation of private school students and special education students, although those students are not within the East Baton Rouge Parish school system, where such transportation is mandated by law or undertaken pursuant to an interagency agreement by the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board.

During the loading, unloading or transport of students, no cigarettes, cigars, matches, smoking paraphernalia or other tobacco products, whether chewing tobacco, snuff or otherwise, shall be displayed or placed in any position in the vehicle so that those products may be observed by any student during the transportation of students in the vehicle.

Violations of this policy may result in disciplinary action.

Ref: La. Rev. Stat. Ann. ' 17:240; Board minutes, 8-8-88.