### GORE BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY

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# STUDENT DISCIPLINE POSSESSION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES (REGULATION)

Sale, distribution, use, or possession of alcoholic beverages, controlled substances (illegal drugs), marijuana, steroids, or other materials expressly prohibited by federal, state, or local laws, is not permitted in school buildings, on school property, or at school functions. Also, the sale, distribution, or abusive use of prescription, patent, or imitation drugs is not permitted. A trace of illegal drugs/alcohol in one's body is a violation of this policy.

#### Violation of This Policy Will Result in The Following Consequences:

- 1. When possible, the parent/guardian will be notified.
- 2. The law enforcement agency will be notified of any criminal activity and school officials will cooperate fully.
- 3 <u>1st Violation</u>: The student [may/will] be suspended for the remainder of that semester. Drug counseling is optional for that student to enroll before the suspension is completed.

<u>2nd Violation</u>: The student [may/will] be suspended for the remainder of that semester and the following semester. Drug rehabilitation is optional for that student to enroll before the suspension is completed.

These consequences will be imposed independently of court action. However, the consequences may be lessened or waived if information provided by the student leads to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons illegally dealing in drugs.

Any school employee who suspects that a student is violating this policy must report the name of the student and details to the principal.

A student may be searched when there is reasonable suspicion that a student may be hiding evidence of a wrongdoing.

Students suspected of violating this policy should be referred for counseling and parents should be notified.

Due Process will be observed in the administration of this policy.

#### **Definitions**

Drug

Any chemical that in sufficient amounts will alter a person's ability to function normally on a mental or physical task. Drugs include, but are not limited to, alcohol, controlled substances, hallucinatory drugs, marijuana, steroids, glue, paint, or materials expressly prohibited by federal, state, or local law.

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Possession Possession includes having the drug on the person, in the immediate vicinity of their person, or

among the personal possessions (locker, automobile, etc.) of the individual.

Abusive Use The taking of more or less of a drug than what is prescribed so to alter the person's ability to function

normally on a mental or physical task.

The counselors of Gore Public Schools may be of some help to students and parents in suggesting possible areas of drug/alcohol counseling and rehabilitation centers in our area, but Gore Schools or the personnel will not be held responsible for a student's well-being on the information given.

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