

PREVENTION *and* EDUCATION

AIMS:

- ◆ Promote a positive and responsible Drug Education message.
- ◆ Raise staff awareness of drug issues and identification.
- ◆ Provide counselling on an individual basis through the Student Services Team.
- ◆ Provide the opportunity for student forums.
- ◆ Work in partnership with parents and community agencies to promote a healthy lifestyle for students.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Any student entering the school premises or attending a school function is not permitted to:

- ◆ Possess, smoke or supply tobacco products.
- ◆ Possess, consume or supply alcoholic beverages.
- ◆ Possess or consume prescription type drugs without a doctor's approval.
- ◆ Deliberately inhale solvents including petroleum products, glues, paint.
- ◆ Possess drug-related equipment such as syringes (except in cases of lawful medical use), bongs, pipes, lighters and matches (misuse of Drug Act 1981).
- ◆ Possess, use or supply harmful or unlawful substances

Smoking

Where a student is:

- ◆ *caught smoking*
- ◆ *caught with tobacco/smoking implement*
- ◆ *in the company of smokers.*

They will be referred to the School Nurse for counselling. Parents will be contacted. Students will be provided with counselling and may face disciplinary action.

Alcohol and Solvents

Where a student is:

- ◆ *caught in possession of alcohol and/or solvents.*
- ◆ *deliberately inhaling solvents.*
- ◆ *in the company of a student drinking.*
- ◆ *and/or where a student appears to be under the influence of alcohol and/or a solvent.*

They will receive immediate first aid. The Deputy Principal will notify parents/caregivers and expect them to collect their child. Students will be provided with counselling and may face disciplinary action.

Illicit Drugs

Where a student is:

- ◆ *caught in possession of an illicit drug.*
- ◆ *in the company of students using an illicit drugs.*
- ◆ *under the influence of an illicit drug.*

They will receive immediate first aid. The Deputy Principal will notify parents/caregivers. The police will be called. In the absence of a student's parent or caregiver, the Deputy or Student Support person will be present at any police interview that takes place on school premises. The student will be provided with counselling and may face serious disciplinary action.

In all circumstances the first response will be to establish and respond to the immediate health and welfare of the students.

Flowchart to show process for substance misuse

A student is breaking the rules if he/she:

- ◆ appears to be under the influence of a drug;
- ◆ possesses drugs or equipment; or
- ◆ supplies drugs or equipment.

Students need to be aware that if they are with other students who are breaking the rules, they may also face the same disciplinary action by association.



Teacher accompanies the student with their bag to Deputy or telephones the Deputy.



- ◆ Parent/caregiver contacted.
- ◆ Relevant Student Service member notified.
- ◆ Parent/teacher interview where appropriate.
- ◆ Relevant disciplinary action.
- ◆ Police and other agencies involved as appropriate.
- ◆ Incident(s) recorded on student file.

Counselling may be from the Chaplain, School Psychologist, School Nurse, Year Coordinator or Police.



**NORTH ALBANY
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

Substance Plan

***Our aim is to ensure a
healthy and drug free
school environment***

NASHS is a great school!

Be Proud, Be Positive

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