

POLICY 311: Illegal Use of Drugs and/or Alcohol

The Board of Education for School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake) does not condone any illegal use of drugs and/or alcohol by students. Drug and/or alcohol abuse by students while in attendance at school or a school sponsored function will result in consequences as well as support and guidance.

The Board believes that every effort must be made to assist students in maintaining their connection with the school while ensuring that appropriate steps are taken to assist the student.

In applying this policy, the Principal has discretion to take into account the age of the student and the factors and issues that may be affecting the student who is under the influence, or appears to be under the influence, or in the possession of drugs and/or alcohol while in attendance or on route to, or from, school or at any school sponsored activity.

Related Legislation: [School Act \[RSBC 1996, Part 6, Division 2, Section 85 \(1.1\)\]](#)

Related Policies: [251: Cannabis](#) (linked), [310: Code of Conduct](#) (linked)

Related Contract Article: Nil
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