

Policy Title	Health and Safety of Bluewater District School Board Schools and Workplaces		
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References			
Occupational Health and Safety Act; Education Act; Foundations for a Healthy School: A Companion Resource to the K-12 School Effectiveness Framework, Ministry of Education ; Bluewater District School Board Multi-Year Strategic Plan; AP 3801-D “Occupational Health and Safety Program”; AP 6806-D “Drug, Cannabis, Alcohol, and Tobacco Standards and Education”; Smoke Free Ontario Act, 2017; Ontario Regulation 268/18; Cannabis Act, S.C. 2018, c.16; Controlled Drugs and Substances Act; BP 6802-D “Student Health Support”; AP 6802-D “Medical and/or Physical Assistant – Provision of within the School”; AP 7220-D “Disability Support - Early Intervention, Accommodation and Return to Work”; BP 7240-D “Employee Psychological Health and Safety Management System”; BP 6820-D “Safe and Accepting Schools”			

1.0 RATIONALE

- 1.1 Bluewater District School Board policies will support and provide direction necessary to achieve the board’s Vision, Mission, and Strategic Plan priorities.
- 1.2 Bluewater District School Board believes that all staff and students are entitled to work and learn in a safe and healthy environment.

2.0 POLICY

- 2.1 Bluewater District School Board endeavours to provide healthy and safe schools and workplaces that are responsive to the needs of students, staff, and the school community. This commitment is aligned with:
 - i. Bluewater District School Board’s Multi-Year Strategic Plan;
 - ii. the Ministry of Education’s ‘Foundations for a Healthy School: A Companion Resource to the K-12 School Effectiveness Framework’;
 - iii. the board’s Occupational Health and Safety Program as outlined in AP 3801-D; and
 - iv. all other applicable legislation, Ministry of Education programs and/or initiatives, board policies, and administrative procedures.
- 2.2 Bluewater District School Board acknowledges that all stakeholders (which includes, but is not limited to, students, staff, trustees, parents/guardians, and community partners) share a role in maintaining the health and safety of our schools and workplaces.
- 2.3 Related administrative procedures can be found on the board website at https://www.bwdsb.on.ca/about_us/policies_and_procedures.