

Smoking Policy

TMSS is a smoke-free facility and it is illegal to smoke on school property. Any use of tobacco, in any form, is not tolerated.

There is not a “Designated Smoking Area”.

The use of private property for such purposes is prohibited. Students found in these areas will be governed by the consequences outlined by this policy. Such action also runs the risk of being charged by the RCMP for trespassing.

Students should also be aware that the five-minute breaks throughout the school day are intended for class changes, NOT smoke breaks. Students are encouraged to utilize this time to get to class on time with the proper school supplies.

Students who choose to use (or to associate with) smoking and/or chewing products on school or RECplex property or during the class change breaks should expect the following:

1st Offense: Inform student of the law and why it exists. Provide a verbal warning, document discussion on TPM and contact parents.

2nd Offense: Inform student that they are not complying with the legislation and remind them of why it exists.

Provide a written letter to parents informing them of the offense and the potential for a ticket should the compliance not be met. A one day in-school suspension may be given and the incident documented in TPM.

3rd Offense: Contact to the local public health office will be made to inform them of the details of the offenses and the action taken to date. Tobacco enforcement officers will use their discretion to determine a course of action. Parent contact will again be made and progressive discipline actions will continue along with documentation into TPM.

4th Offense: Meeting with parents, student, and administrator to determine the next step along with additional progressive discipline measures. The administration of TMSS is prepared to assist in the provision of counseling and other support services for students when requested.