

Anti-Smoking Policy

All public and private kindergarten to Grade 12 schools in B.C. are tobacco and vape-free under the <u>Tobacco and Vapour Products Control Act</u> and <u>Regulation</u>. This ban extends to all school property 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, regardless of whether or not school is in session. The ban also includes vehicles, parking lots, sports fields, driveways, courtyards, and private vehicles parked on school property.

There is an exception to the tobacco-free restriction:

 The ceremonial use of tobacco is exempted from the ban on tobacco use in schools if the ceremonial use is pre-approved by the school board and it is performed in relation to a traditional aboriginal activity.

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