No. 222

## SECTION: PUPILS

## CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

## TITLE: TOBACCO USE

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|  | 222. TOBACCO USE |
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| 1. Purpose | The Board recognizes that use of tobacco presents a health and safety hazard which can have serious consequences for both users and nonusers. |
| 2. Definition | For purposes of this policy, tobacco shall be defined as a lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar and pipe or lighted smoking product or material; and smokeless |
| Act 128 of 2000 | tobacco in any form. |
| 3. Authority | The Superintendent or designee shall annually notify students and parents about the district's tobacco use policy by publishing such policy in the student/parent handbook. |
| Act 128 of 2000 | In compliance with Act 128 of 2000 and pursuant to the authority of the district to develop, post and implement policy to regulate tobacco use, it shall be the policy of the district that: |
|  | 1. Students are not permitted to possess or use tobacco in any school district building, school bus, other school district vehicle, or on any school property owned by, leased by, or under the control of the district and all school sponsored activities, or any activity when students are representing the school district. |
| School Code $\text { SC } 510$ | 2. All persons, including students, employees and visitors, are prohibited from using tobacco in any form in school buildings, in school vehicles and on all school property. |
| PA Code Title 22 Sec. 12.3 | 3. Violation of this policy shall be punishable by a civil fine plus costs. Additional student discipline may be administered as defined within each school's student handbook. |
| Act 145 of 1996 | 4. Notification of this policy shall be made to all employees, students, parents, and community members by publishing it in the student handbooks of the district, through posted signs and other efficient means. |




