

## **SECTION 7.04: POLICY FOR THE SMOKE FREE CAMPUS January 1, 2010**

(ORC 3313.20, 3313.47, 3313.751, 3791.031, 3794.01 and Pro-Children Act of 1994)

- A. Rationale: The Carroll County Board of Developmental Disabilities has a duty to protect the health and well-being of all individuals served by the program and staff. The board is acutely aware of the serious health risks associated with the use of tobacco products; both to the users and non-users, and that most tobacco use begins by the age 18. The board recognizes personnel and visitors serve as role models to individuals served by the program and, therefore, adopt this 100% tobacco-free campus policy to endorse a healthy lifestyle and prevent tobacco use.
- B. Definition: For the purpose of this policy, "tobacco" is defined to include any lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, bidi, clove cigarette and any other smoking products, and both spit and spitless tobacco, also known as smokeless, dip, chew, Snus, and snuff, in any form.
- C. Tobacco Use Prohibited: No individual receiving board services, staff member, volunteer or visitor is permitted to smoke, inhale, clip, chew, or use tobacco at any time, including non-school or non-work hours; in any building, facility or vehicle owned, leased, rented or chartered (by the Carroll County Board); or on school, workshop, administrative, athletic grounds or parking lots.

No individual receiving board services, staff member or volunteer is permitted to smoke, inhale, dip, chew or use tobacco at any time, including non-school or work hours, at any board-sponsored event off campus. Additionally, no student is permitted to possess cigarettes, other tobacco products, papers to roll cigarettes, lighters or other paraphernalia at any time.

- D. Tobacco Promotion Prohibited: Tobacco advertising is prohibited on all board grounds, in all board-sponsored publications and at all board-sponsored events. Tobacco promotional items including clothing, bags, lighters, and other personal articles, are not permitted on board grounds, in board vehicles or at board-sponsored events.
- E. Notice: "No Tobacco" signs will be posted throughout the board grounds at entrances and other appropriate locations on all academic buildings, administrative spaces, and workshop buildings indicating tobacco use is not permitted. Individuals receiving board services will be provided notice of this policy through handbooks, and personnel will be provided notice of this policy through personnel handbooks. Board vehicles will display the international "No Smoking" sign. Announcements will be made during home athletic events both before the event and during intermission, as well as at all board functions where deemed appropriate. Board programs will include a written reminder of the no tobacco policy.
- F. Enforcement: Disciplinary measures taken against individuals receiving services by the board and staff for violations of this policy comply with the requirements of Ohio law and related board policies.

