

Public Schools Branch

OPERATIONAL POLICY

TOBACCO AND SMOKE FREE ENVIRONMENTS	
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1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 This policy addresses smoking and the use of tobacco products on Public Schools Branch property. It also encourages students, staff, volunteers and visitors to make healthy choices that support their health and well-being.

2.0 POLICY STATEMENT

- 2.1 The Public Schools Branch promotes a safe and healthy environment for all students, employees, volunteers and visitors to our property and facilities. It is the policy of the Public Schools Branch to declare, establish and maintain a tobacco and smoke free environment on all Public Schools Branch property.

3.0 PARAMETERS

- 3.1 The Public Schools Branch acknowledges that health-related problems can arise from the use of tobacco products and exposure to smoking and wishes to help protect and promote the health of all students, staff, volunteers and visitors by creating tobacco and smoke free schools, workplaces, vehicles and properties.

4.0 DEFINITIONS

- 4.1 Public Schools Branch property - The land, buildings, and vehicles used and/or managed by the Public Schools Branch.

5.0 CROSS REFERENCE

- 5.1 Operational Procedure 601.1 - *Tobacco and Smoke Free Environments*
- 5.2 *Smoke-free Places Act*