

Marijuana (cannabis) and schools

District policies regarding cannabis are consistent with provincial and federal laws, and similar in approach to district policies regarding alcohol or tobacco.

Minor students (18 years and younger)

- The possession of cannabis and cannabis products in British Columbia is limited to adults 19 years or older. A minor must not possess, consume, produce, supply, sell, purchase or attempt to purchase cannabis, nor market, advertise or promote cannabis. In addition, minors cannot possess, make, supply, sell, purchase or attempt to purchase a cannabis accessory (equipment related to cannabis use, production, etc.).
- A minor must not operate a vehicle, whether or not the vehicle is in motion, while there is cannabis in the vehicle.
- If a student is found in possession of what is believed to be cannabis or a cannabis-infused product, the product will be confiscated. Further actions may also be taken against the student.

Adults (19 years and older)

- Adults cannot consume cannabis in any form in or on school property.
- Adults cannot smoke or vape cannabis in or on public spaces such as skating rinks, sports fields, swimming pools, playgrounds or skate parks (noteworthy for adults in adjacent schools).
- Adults cannot consume cannabis while operating a vehicle or consume cannabis while in a vehicle being operated by another person. An adult must not operate a vehicle if the adult knows that another person is smoking or vaping cannabis in the vehicle.

For additional information on cannabis and cannabis laws, please visit: cannabis.gov.bc.ca or Canada.ca/cannabis.

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