

"Blazin' the Way" **for 100% Tobacco Free School Districts**

The South Carolina School Boards Association in collaboration with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, Division of Tobacco Prevention and Control endorses the adoption of policies that address preventing tobacco use within schools to include, at the discretion of the board, enforcement procedures as well as language dealing with tobacco industry marketing or sponsorship.

With the recent passing of South Carolina's new law — Youth Access to Tobacco Prevention Act of 2006 — now is the best time for all school districts to go 100% tobacco free by adopting the recommended policy (*Policy and Legislative Update, August 2005*).

Remember...

- All schools districts must be in compliance with approved board policy;
- The S.C. Clean Indoor Air Act of 1990 prohibits smoking in any form in all public elementary and secondary schools;
- The Federal Environmental Tobacco Smoke Pro-Children Act of 1994 prohibits smoking in any indoor facility used for kindergarten, elementary, secondary education, or library services for children; and
- The new act makes it unlawful for a minor under 18 to purchase, possess or attempt to possess any tobacco product.

Check out the attached materials...

- Model Policy for Tobacco Free Schools in South Carolina;
- An overview of the new Youth Access to Tobacco Prevention Act of 2006; and
- A map of school districts already "Blazin' the Way."

Begin "Blazin' the Way" today for a 100% Tobacco Free School District!



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