## Living and Learning School Anti Smoking Policy

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## **Policy**

Smoking, Vaping and the use of tobacco products including chewing tobacco, electronic cigarettes and vapour products is prohibited at all times in all school district buildings and on all school properties. All e-substances are covered by legislation and it does not matter if the e-substance contains nicotine or is nicotine free.

Ceremonial use of tobacco is permitted where the activity has been approval by the Board, and the ceremony is performed in relation to a traditional Aboriginal cultural activity, or performed by a group for a purpose approved by government regulation.

## **Definitions:**

**E-Substance** is a solid, liquid or gas that when heated by the element in the electronic cigarette, produces a vapour for use in the device.

**Reasonable Distance** ranges from a minimum fifty meters from the school property up to several blocks from the school. Determination will be site specific.

**Smoke-Free or Vape Free-Zone** is an area within the vicinity of a school where smoking, electronic cigarettes, and the use of tobacco or vapour products is prohibited. This area will encompass school buildings and properties and extend to a reasonable distance from school property. The smoke-free or vape-free zone is in effect for students at all times they are under the school's jurisdiction.

**Vapour Product or Electronic Cigarette** is a device that contains an electronic or battery powered heating element that can vaporize an e-substance.