

STUDENT ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE

Hawthorn Leadership School for Girls is concerned with the health, welfare and safety of its students. Therefore, use, sale, transfer, distribution, possession or being under the influence of unauthorized prescription drugs, alcohol, narcotic substances, unauthorized inhalants, controlled substances, illegal drugs, counterfeit substances and imitation controlled substances is prohibited on any Hawthorn property, in any Hawthorn-owned vehicle or in any other Hawthorn-approved vehicle used to transport students to and from school activities. This prohibition also applies to any Hawthorn-sponsored or Hawthorn-approved activity, event or function, such as a field trip or athletic event, where students are under the supervision of Hawthorn. The use, sale, transfer or possession of drug-related paraphernalia is also prohibited.

For the purpose of this policy a controlled substance shall include any controlled substance, counterfeit substance or imitation controlled substance as defined in the Narcotic Drug Act, § 195.010, RSMo., and in schedules I, II, III, IV and V in section 202(c) of the Controlled Substances Act, 21 U.S.C. § 812(c).

Students may only be in possession of medication as provided in the Administration of Medication Policy. Searches of persons reasonably suspected to be in violation of this policy will be conducted in accordance with law and Board policy.

Any student who is found by Hawthorn to be in violation of this policy will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension, expulsion or other discipline in accordance with Hawthorn's discipline policy, and Hawthorn may report any illegal or suspected illegal behavior to law enforcement. Strict compliance is mandatory. All incidents involving possession of a controlled substance shall be immediately reported to the Head of School. Pursuant to law, all incidents involving distribution of a controlled substance shall immediately be reported to the appropriate local law enforcement agency and the Head of School.

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