## DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE BY STUDENTS

In view of the fact that the use of drug and alcohol can endanger the health and safety of the user, and recognizing the deleterious effect the use of drugs and alcoholic beverages can have on the maintenance of general order and discipline, the School Committee prohibits the use of, serving of, distribution of, or consumption of any drug or alcoholic beverage on school property or at any school function.

The Nantucket Public School Committee is committed to discouraging students from using or possessing tobacco products, alcohols, and/or drugs at any time, even at non-school-related activities.

The Nantucket Public Schools expects that all Nantucket Public School students will respect the law, which prohibits any person from using or possessing illegal drugs, any person under the age of 21 from purchasing, possessing or using alcoholic beverages, and anyone under the age of 18 from purchasing any tobacco products.

Additionally, any student, regardless of age, who has been drinking alcoholic beverages or using drugs prior to attendance at, or participation in, a school-sponsored activity, will be barred from that activity and subject to disciplinary action.

LEGAL REF.: M.G.L. 272:40A CROSS REF.: IHAMA, Teaching About Drugs, Alcohol, and Tobacco GBEC, Drug Free Workplace Policy