Stimulants regulation

A school community like Het Rijnlands Lyceum does not operate in a vacuum. Our students are exposed to many outside influences, some desirable and character building, and others highly undesirable. In urban areas it is possible that students will come into contact with drugs and alcohol, which may invite experimentation. That is why we find it important to communicate openly and honestly with the students about drugs at an age when they are most susceptible to their appeal, so that they are encouraged to make the right choices. These regulations describe the agreements made at The Rijnlands Lyceum Oegstgeest, in order to warrant a safe and healthy school climate.

Article 1

Smoking is prohibited inside the school building and in the school yard. The senior management team has designated the rooms in the building in which staff are allowed to smoke. Smoking is prohibited at any time in all public spaces inside the building.

Article 2

For school activities which take place outside of school non-smokers should at all times have a smoke-free environment.

Article 3

The consumption of alcohol is strictly prohibited during school hours (8:00 - 17:00), as well as school activities during school activities outside these times.

Article 4

The senior management team can give special consent to the consumption of alcohol during school activities. At all times ample choice of non-alcoholic drinks should be available.

Article 5

Students who use or have used alcohol during school times will be sent home immediately. Alcohol consumption at school is regarded as misconduct.

Article 6

Drugs as mentioned on List 1 and 2 on the Dutch Opium Law, are strictly prohibited under any circumstance during school activities.

Article 7

Possessing, using and dealing in drugs at or in the vicinity of the school are prohibited. In principle, breaking this rule leads to expulsion.

Article 8

Gambling for money or other personal gain, at school and during school activities, is prohibited. The senior management can make an exception to this rule if the yields go to a designated charity.

Article 9

Breaking one or more of these regulations will lead to sanctions. These sanctions can vary from a reprimand to expulsion.

See also Appendix 3: Protocol stimulants

Safety regulations

Definitions

Article 1

- 1. Punishable offences are all acts or behaviour which, on the grounds of any Dutch legal description, are punishable crimes or misdemeanours. (Theft, destruction, graffiti, pollution, intimidation, and similar acts of this kind).
- 2. Weapons are objects which are indicated in the Dutch weapon legislation, the Weapons and Munitions Law.
- 3. Drugs are substances/remedies which are indicated in the Dutch drug legislation, the Opium Law.

Prohibitory clauses

Article 2

- 1. The commission of punishable offences is forbidden at this school.
- 2. The possession of weapons is forbidden at this school.
- 3. Drugs are forbidden at this school.
- 4. Fireworks are forbidden at this school.
- 5. Alcohol is forbidden at this school, unless the management decides otherwise.
- 6. Teasing and/or bullying of people is forbidden at this school.
- 7. Smoking, except in designated areas, is forbidden at this school.

Control

Article 3

The school is authorised in compliance with the prohibitory clauses to carry out searches;

- a. of objects brought in by students for forbidden objects/substances;
- b. of lockers used by students for the presence of forbidden objects/substances;

The searches will be carried out by at least two persons selected by the management team, and in the presence of the students involved.

Found forbidden objects/substances

Article 4

- 1. The school turns all found illegal weapons, drugs and illegal fireworks over to the police.
- 2. The school can decide to turn over alcohol, illegal fireworks and weapons that are identified as punishable on the grounds of Article 2 Subsection 1 Category 4 under 7 of the Weapons and Munitions Law*, to the parents of the students involved.
- * These are objects which, considering the circumstances under which they are found and because they can be used to threaten or bring damage to a person, are seen as weapons. Examples are pocket knives and screwdrivers.

Measures

Article 5

- 1. The school reports any punishable offences to the Police.
- 2. The school confiscates weapons and reports them to the Police.
- 3. The possession of weapons that are punishable on the grounds of Article 2 Subsection 1 Category 4 under 7 of the Weapons and Munitions Law can be reported to the Police, if punishable crimes have been committed using those weapons.

Article 6

- 1. The school informs the parents of students who have violated the school rules.
- 2. The school can take disciplinary action against students who have violated school rules.
- 3. The school can recoup the value of damage done to school property from the student(s) involved and their parents.
- 4. The school can keep records of violations of the school rules.