



STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
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HONOLULU, HAWAII 96804

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

November 2, 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The health and safety of all of our students remain a top priority. Please share with your child/children the Act 206 (2018), Section 712-1258, Hawaii Revised Statutes. It is unlawful for any student under the age of twenty-one to purchase or possess any tobacco product or electronic smoking device. An electronic smoking device is defined as any electronic product that can be used to aerosolize and deliver nicotine or other substances to the person inhaling from the device, including but not limited to an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, or electronic pipe, and any cartridge or other component of the device or related product.

In addition, any tobacco product or electronic smoking device found in a student's possession is a violation of Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) Chapter 19, shall be seized by school administration, and forfeited to law enforcement. This is pursuant of Act 206 (HB 1895, HD1, SD1, CD1), Part II, Section 8(5) effective July 1, 2018.

Should you have further questions, please contact Ms. Sheli Suzuki, Educational Specialist, Student Support Section, at (808) 305-9787 or via email, at [sheli\\_suzuki@notes.k12.hi.us](mailto:sheli_suzuki@notes.k12.hi.us).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christina M. Kishimoto".

Christina M. Kishimoto  
Superintendent

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IT IS  
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for anyone under the age of 21 to purchase, use or possess any tobacco product or electronic smoking device.<sup>1</sup>



Any tobacco product or electronic smoking device found in a student's possession is a violation of **HAR-Chapter 19** and shall be seized by school administration and forfeited to law enforcement.<sup>2</sup>

**[bit.ly/HARChap19](http://bit.ly/HARChap19)**