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POLICY MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Alcohol at Student Activities/Events

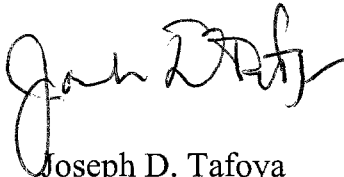
- References: (a) DoDEA Regulation 2051.1, "Department of Defense Education Activity Disciplinary Rules and Procedures," August 16, 1996  
(b) DS Regulation 2792.0 "Department of Defense Dependents Schools Drug Free School and Learning Environment," January 21, 1988

It is the policy of the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) that student drug and alcohol use is not consistent with our educational mission and that any activity which explicitly or tacitly encourages their use should not be tolerated.

The consequences for student use of drugs and alcohol are addressed in various DoDEA regulations and publications but it is important to clarify that offering or providing alcoholic beverages for consumption by adult participants or guests at any DoDEA-sponsored student event is inappropriate and should not be permitted by DoDEA administrators or activity sponsors. This includes any function attended by students held at the school or at what would be reasonably considered to be an extension of the school, such as installation clubs, off-installation school social functions, or any other non-DoDEA facility where DoDEA-sponsored or organized activities are hosted. While individual/private purchase of alcoholic beverages by adult participants is beyond the control of DoDEA staff, it is important that adults attending student activities be aware of DoDEA policy and be asked to voluntarily abstain for the duration of the event. Consumption of alcoholic beverages by adult chaperones is unconditionally not permitted while they are directly supervising students or a student activity.

DoDEA is committed to ensuring that a consistent effort be made by all members of the DoDEA staff to encourage student drug, alcohol, and substance abuse prevention.

All administrators, supervisors, and activity sponsors will take proactive measures to ensure that this guiding principle be observed at student events at all venues.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Tafoya". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "T".

Joseph D. Tafoya  
Director