

POLICY

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

Related Entries: N/A

Responsible Office: DIVISION OF STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

STUDENT SUNSCREEN USE

A. PURPOSE

To establish a policy regarding student use of sunscreen on Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS) property and at school-sponsored activities.

B. ISSUE

Skin cancer is the most common form of cancer with one million cases diagnosed each year in the United States. Sun safety practices that begin early in life and consistently followed contribute to the prevention of skin cancer.

C. POSITION

1. In accordance with State law, AACPS students may possess and use sunscreen on AACPS property or at school-sponsored activities without written permission from a healthcare provider. The sunscreen:
 - a. Shall be applied by the individual student; and
 - b. May not be shared with other students.
2. A school principal shall implement the appropriate procedures to ensure that the sunscreen is for personal use, self-applied and application of the sunscreen does not negatively impact other students.
3. The Board of Education of Anne Arundel County encourages schools to educate students about sunscreen, sun safety, and this policy.
4. In this policy, sunscreen means a topical sunscreen product that is:
 - a. Used to prevent the effects of overexposure to the sun and not for medical treatment of an injury or illness; and
 - b. Approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration for over-the-counter use.

D. IMPLEMENTATION

The Superintendent is authorized to develop regulations to implement this policy.

Policy History: Adopted on 12/05/18

Note Previous Policy History: None