

Bishop Indian Education Center Tobacco use Policy and Enforcement

Policy Statement: The Bishop Indian Education Center provides an atmosphere of building healthy family and healthy community relationships. Because we strive for a goal of healthy communities, the Bishop Indian Education Center is committed to promoting and maintaining a healthy community, work and academic environment that is tobacco free.

The use of commercial tobacco products is strictly prohibited at the Bishop Indian Education Center, building and grounds surrounding facility, including: playground, prevention trailer and gymnasium. Note: We understand that tobacco may and can be utilized for traditional ceremonial pipes and for offering of tobacco.

The use of tobacco products is strictly prohibited in Bishop Indian Education Center vehicles.

The tobacco use policy will be enforced by Bishop Indian Education Center and Tribal Administration.

Enforcement Procedures

1. Students & violating this policy are subject to Bishop Indian Education Center discipline policy.
 - A. Verbal warning- the Director of the Bishop Indian Education Center will talk with the student who has been smoking to help the student understand this action will not be tolerated.
 - B. Written reprimand- if student has been previously cited for smoking by the Education Center Director or designee.
 - C. Probation- if a student has been previously warned and written reprimand has been issued by the Director or designee, that student shall be placed on probation for a specific period of time , from 30 to 180 days which means that student must not have any further smoking violations. If a student is on probation, the Director or designee has the option of mandating the student attend a smoking cessation class. If there is no class available, the Bishop Indian Education Center can have the student read educational material on the subject of smoking and on the dangers of smoking, i.e. lung cancer or other medical ailments.
 - D. Suspension- if a student has been previously warned, a written citation has been done and the student has been on probation, the Director or designee may suspend that student for non-compliance with this policy. That student may be suspended from one (1) day or up to (1) month.