



ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

To: High School Principals

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Instructions:

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Subject: **Graduating Students Who Violate
Administrative Regulation JCC-RAC,
Alcoholic Beverages, Controlled
Dangerous Substances or Other
Intoxicants**

Please inform your students, parents, and school staff about the penalty for graduating students who violate Board Policy JCC, Code of Student Conduct, and its accompanying Administrative Regulation JCC-RAC, Alcoholic Beverages, Controlled Dangerous Substances, or Other Intoxicants, and of the last day graduating students can enroll in any of the alternative programs.

Graduating students who violate Board Policy JCC are subject to the provisions as stated in Administrative Regulation JCC-RAC, Alcoholic Beverages, Controlled Dangerous Substances, or Other Intoxicants. This regulation states in relevant part under Section D., Procedure, Paragraph 6:

Penalty for Violation by Graduating Students

- a. Graduating students who violate Board policies on possession, consumption, or distribution of alcoholic beverages, controlled dangerous substances, counterfeit controlled dangerous substances, noncontrolled substances as defined by the Annotated Code of Maryland, or other intoxicant at any time during the last four weeks of school prior to the last scheduled day for graduating students, or during the time between the last scheduled day and the graduation ceremony, whether the activity takes place on school buses, within a school building or upon any school property, or during any school, school related, or Board sponsored activity, whether held on school property or at locations off school property, including private clubs, businesses, or commercial establishments, shall be prohibited from participation in all senior activities, including proms, award ceremonies, and graduation ceremonies.
- b. Diplomas earned by students denied participation in graduation ceremonies will be available upon request in the office of the appropriate school principal on the first workday following graduation ceremonies.

Because the last scheduled day for graduating students this year is May 26, 2016, the effective date under the "last four weeks" provision is April 28, 2016. The last day a graduating student can enroll in the Alternative to Drugs Program, Responsible Actions Program, or Anti-Tobacco Use Program is May 4, 2016.

Please contact Alice Swift, Director of Safe and Orderly Schools at 410-222-5288 with questions or concerns.

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