

Ordinance Prohibits Smoking and Tobacco Usage on School Property

In August of 1995, the Waterford Township Board amended the Ordinance prohibiting the use of tobacco products by minors in any educational facility in Waterford Township. The State of Michigan Bill #459 prohibits the use of tobacco products on school property, including adults.

School property includes the building, athletic fields, stadiums, sidewalks, parking lots, and any other areas located on school property. Violations are considered a civil infraction, punishable by a fine of not more than **ninety-five dollars** for each offense. Tobacco products include cigarettes, chewing tobacco or snuff, or any other form of tobacco.

Adults who adhere to the state law send a clear message to Waterford's youth that smoking will not be tolerated on school property and that tobacco use can be harmful to one's health.