



## **Drug and Alcohol Policy**

Montage Academy follows the Controlled Substance Act and the Colorado Criminal Code relating to controlled substances. (Title 18, Article 18) Under the Controlled Substance Act the possession or distribution of illegal drugs is considered a crime under federal and state laws, which can result in criminal prosecution. The manufacturing of illegal drugs is considered a felony. The consequences of a conviction can include hefty fines and prison time. In addition, those who help to produce any kind of illegal drug may also be charged with the crime, and are typically subject to consequences that are much more severe than the possession of a drug for personal use. More information is available at <http://criminal.findlaw.com/criminal-charges/controlled-substances-act-csa-overview.html>

The Colorado Criminal Code relating to controlled substances (Title 18, Article 18) establishes penalties for the unlawful distribution, manufacturing, dispensing, sale, or possession of a controlled substance ranging from six months imprisonment or a \$500 fine, or both, to 16 years imprisonment and/or \$750,000 in fines, depending on the classification of substance. Penalties under the Colorado Beer Code (Title 12, Article 47) relating to unlawful manufacturing, distribution, and possession of alcoholic beverages range up to one year imprisonment and/or up to \$5,000 in fines, or both

## **Drug and Alcohol Procedure**

Any student or staff found using or suspected of using either drugs or alcohol before coming to school or under the influence at any time while on the school property, including the surrounding areas of the school which includes the parking lot, will be sent home from the Academy. Any student or Staff found with the unlawful possession, use or distribution of drugs and alcohol will be disciplined and the items confiscated and disposed of. To create a safe environment for other students or clients receiving services the student must be fully aware of all things happening around them. If any student has a prescription that may impair their thinking or physical abilities it must be reported to the administration. A copy of prescriptions will be put in the student files along with the side effects it may have. If the student's prescription inhibits their thinking in any way and they are unable to perform services safely they will need to leave for the day. Any student selling drugs to fellow students on the school property or the surrounding areas of the school will be reported to the police and will be expelled. Montage Academy reserves the right to require a drug test or search of any item including personal belongings or vehicle brought onto the property or the parking lot of the Academy. Refusal to participate in the search will result in disciplinary action. This can include expulsion. Any student who is abusing drugs or alcohol is encouraged to seek an appropriate rehabilitation program.

The Longmont Police Department has a Special Enforcement Unit (SEU) which conducts undercover and surveillance operations. The majority of these investigations are drug-related. If you suspect someone you know of using or dealing illegal drugs, you may call the drug hotline at (303) 651-8585, and leave a recorded message. You do not have to leave your name, and the call will not be traced. If you want to speak to a detective, leave a name and a call-back number.