

Sample Scenarios for Principle 6: Use, Possession, or Unlawful Distribution of Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco

Directions: The following scenarios help ensure understanding of the Code of Conduct Principle 6 and illustrate common situations that educators might find themselves in when professional conduct comes into question. Read the following scenarios with a partner and discuss whether each educator upheld the fundamental principles outlined in the Licensure Code of Professional Conduct for Ohio Educators. If not, identify steps the educator could have taken to mitigate risks.

Scenario 1

 The high school football team made it to the state tournament, and a group of educators from the district have decided to attend the game together. Before the game they go out to dinner together and share pizza and a pitcher of beer.

Scenario 2

 Several teachers and parents chaperone a class trip to Washington D.C. After all the kids have gone to bed, one of the teachers has a glass of wine in her own room while watching TV.

Scenario 3

• An athletic coach suggests that an athlete start taking a nutritional supplement to help "bulk up" to have a better physical advantage on the field.

Scenario 4

 After a professional development day, a teacher invites colleagues to try a new craft beer they purchased on a recent vacation. A group goes back to a classroom, and the teacher pours everyone a taste.