

# Montana Office of Public Instruction

The Montana Tobacco Free School Excellence Initiative (MTFSEI) was established in 2009 to help school districts and communities prevent and reduce tobacco use by promoting comprehensive tobacco free policy in schools.

**Tobacco use remains the leading cause of preventable death in the United States.<sup>1</sup>**

**More than one in four Montana high school students currently use some form of tobacco.<sup>2</sup>**

**Montana high school students have one of the highest smokeless tobacco user rates in the United States.<sup>2</sup>**

**Research indicates that 9 out of 10 smokers start smoking by age 18.<sup>1</sup>**

**Forty-Eight percent of Montana high school students have tried vaping and 26% currently vape.<sup>2</sup>**

Comprehensive tobacco free policy builds a framework that reinforces tobacco free norms and attitudes and helps create a healthy school environment. Tobacco-free policies effectively support and encourage a tobacco-free lifestyle.

The list of school districts distinguished as Montana Tobacco Free School Districts of Excellence continues to grow as more districts adopt comprehensive tobacco free school policy. For more information or to inquire about adding your district to the list of Montana Tobacco Free School Districts of Excellence contact OPI at (406) 444-0785.

## Tobacco Use Prevention & Education Program

### School Districts with Comprehensive Tobacco Free School Policy

Number of Public School Districts in Montana	Number of School Districts with Comprehensive Policy	Percentage of Districts with Comprehensive Policy
<b>417</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>90%</b>

1. [The Health Consequences of Smoking: 50 Years of Progress – Surgeon General’s Report \(2014\)](#)

2. [Montana Youth Risk Behavior Survey \(2021\)](#)

## Montana Tobacco Free School Districts of Excellence - September 2023

Absarokee Public Schools\*  
Alberton Public Schools  
Alder-Upper Ruby Elementary  
Alzada Elementary  
Amsterdam Elementary  
Anaconda Public Schools\*  
Anderson Elementary  
Arlee Public Schools\*  
Arrowhead Elementary  
Ashland Elementary  
Auchard Creek Elementary  
Avon Elementary  
Ayers Elementary  
Bainville K-12 Schools  
Baker K-12 Schools  
Basin Elementary  
Beaverhead Co. High School  
Belfry K-12 Schools  
Belgrade Public Schools\*  
Belt Public Schools\*  
Benton Lake Elementary  
Biddle Elementary  
Big Sandy Public Schools\*  
Big Sky K-12 Schools  
Big Timber Elementary  
Billings Public Schools\*  
Birney Elementary  
Bloomfield Elementary  
Bonner Elementary  
Boulder Elementary  
Box Elder Public Schools\*  
Bozeman Public Schools\*  
Bridger K-12 Schools  
Broadus Public Schools\*  
Broadview Public Schools\*  
Brockton Public Schools\*  
Brorson Elementary

Butte Public Schools\*  
Bynum Elementary  
Cardwell Elementary  
Carter County High School  
Carter Elementary  
Cascade Public Schools\*  
Cayuse Prairie School District  
Centerville Public Schools\*  
Charlo Public Schools\*  
Chester-Joplin-Inverness PS\*  
Chinook Public Schools\*  
Choteau Public Schools\*  
Circle Public Schools\*  
Clinton Elementary  
Cohagen Elementary  
Colstrip Public Schools\*  
Columbia Falls Public Schools\*  
Columbus Public Schools\*  
Conrad Public Schools\*  
Cooke City Elementary  
Corvallis K-12 Schools  
Cottonwood Elem (Custer)  
Cottonwood Elem (Gallatin)  
Cottonwood Elementary (Hill)  
Creston Elementary  
Culbertson Public Schools\*  
Custer K-12 Schools  
Cut Bank Public Schools\*  
Darby K-12 Schools  
Davey Elementary  
Deer Creek Elementary  
Deer Lodge Elementary  
Deer Park Elementary  
Deerfield Elementary  
Denton Public Schools\*  
DeSmet Elementary  
Dillon Elementary

Divide Elementary  
Dixon Elementary  
Dodson K-12 Schools  
Drummond Public Schools\*  
Dupuyer Elementary  
Dutton/Brady K-12 Schools  
East Helena Elementary  
Ekalaka Public Schools\*  
Elder Grove School  
Elliston Elementary  
Ennis K-12 Schools  
Eureka Public Schools\*  
Evergreen Elementary  
Fairfield Public Schools\*  
Fair-Mont-Egan Elementary  
Fairview Schools\*  
Fishtail Elementary  
Florence-Carlton K-12 Schools  
Forsyth Public Schools\*  
Fort Benton Public Schools\*  
Fortine Elementary  
Frazer Public Schools\*  
Frenchtown K-12 Schools  
Froid Public Schools\*  
Fromberg K-12 Schools  
Galata Elementary  
Gallatin Gateway Elementary  
Gardiner Public Schools\*  
Garrison Elementary  
Geraldine Public Schools\*  
Gildford Colony Elementary  
Glasgow Public Schools  
Glendive Public Schools\*  
Gold Creek Elementary  
Golden Ridge Elementary  
Grant Elementary  
Grass Range Public Schools\*

Great Falls Public Schools\*  
Greenfield Elementary  
Greycliff Elementary  
Hall Elementary  
Hardin Public Schools\*  
Harlem Public Schools\*  
Harlowton Public Schools\*  
Harrison K-12 Schools  
Havre Public Schools\*  
Hawks Home Elementary  
Hays-Lodge Pole K-12 Schools  
Heart Butte K-12 Schools  
Helena Flats Elementary  
Helena Public Schools\*  
Helmville Elementary  
Highwood Public Schools  
Hinsdale Public Schools\*  
Hobson K-12 Schools  
Hot Springs K-12 Schools  
Huntley Project K-12 Schools  
Hysham K-12 Schools  
Jackson Elementary  
Jefferson High School  
Joliet Public Schools\*  
Jordan Public Schools\*  
Judith Gap Public Schools\*  
Kalispell Public Schools\*  
Kester Elementary  
Kila Elementary  
King Colony Elementary  
Kinsey Elementary  
Kircher Elementary  
Knees (Twin Hills) Elementary  
Lambert Public Schools\*  
Lame Deer Public Schools\*  
LaMotte Elementary  
Laurel Public Schools\*

Lavina K-12 Schools  
Lewistown Public Schools\*  
Libby K-12 Schools  
Liberty (Eagle Creek) Elementary  
Lima K-12 Schools  
Lincoln K-12 Schools  
Lindsay Elementary  
Livingston Public Schools\*  
Lockwood Elementary  
Lodge Grass Public Schools\*  
Lone Rock School  
Lolo Elementary  
Malmborg Elementary  
Malta K-12 Schools  
Manhattan Public Schools\*  
Marion Elementary  
McCormick Elementary  
McLeod Elementary  
Medicine Lake K-12 Schools  
Melrose Elementary  
Melstone Public Schools\*  
Melville Elementary  
Miami Elementary  
Miles City Public Schools\*  
Missoula County Public Schools\*  
Molt Elementary  
Monforton Elementary  
Montana City Elementary  
Moore Public Schools\*  
Morin Elementary  
Nashua K-12 Schools  
No. Harlem Colony Elementary  
North Star Public Schools\*  
Noxon Public Schools\*  
Nye Elementary  
Olney-Bissell Elementary  
Opheim K-12 Schools  
Ovando Elementary  
Paradise Elementary

Park City Public Schools\*  
Pass Creek Elementary  
Pendroy Elementary  
Pine Creek Elementary  
Pine Grove Elementary  
Plains Public Schools\*  
Pleasant Valley Elementary  
Plentywood K-12 Schools  
Plevna K-12 Schools  
Pioneer Elementary  
Polaris Elementary  
Polson Public Schools\*  
Poplar Public Schools\*  
Potomac Elementary  
Powell County High School  
Power Public Schools\*  
Pryor Public Schools\*  
Ramsay Elementary  
Rapelje Public Schools\*  
Rau Elementary  
Red Lodge School District\*  
Reed Point Public Schools\*  
Reichle Elementary  
Richey Public Schools\*  
Roberts K-12 Schools  
Ronan Public Schools\*  
Rosebud K-12 Schools  
Ross Elementary  
Roy K-12 Schools  
Ryegate K-12 Schools  
S H Elementary  
S Y Elementary  
Saco Public Schools\*  
Sand Springs Elementary  
Savage Public Schools\*  
Scobey Public Schools  
Shawmut Elementary  
Shelby Public Schools\*  
Shepherd School District \*  
Sheridan Public Schools\*

Shields Valley Public Schools\*  
Sidney Public Schools\*  
Smith Valley Elementary  
Somers Lakeside Elementary  
South Stacey Elementary  
Spring Creek Colony Elementary  
Spring Creek Elem (Big Horn)  
Spring Creek Elementary (Custer)  
Springdale Elementary  
Springhill Elementary  
St. Ignatius Public Schools  
St. Regis K-12 Schools  
Stanford K-12 Schools  
Stevensville Public Schools\*  
Sun River Valley Public Schools\*  
Sunburst K-12 Schools  
Superior K-12 Schools  
Swan Lake-Salmon Elementary  
Swan River Elementary  
Sweet Grass County High School  
Terry K-12 Schools  
Thompson Falls Public Schools\*  
Three Forks Public Schools\*  
Townsend K-12 Schools  
Trail Creek Elementary  
Trego Elementary  
Trinity Elementary  
Trout Creek Elementary  
Troy Public Schools\*  
Turner Public Schools\*  
Twin Bridges K-12 Schools  
Ulm Elementary  
Upper West Shore Elementary  
Valier Public Schools\*  
Valley View Elementary  
Vaughn Elementary  
Victor Public Schools  
West Glacier Elementary

West Valley Elementary  
West Yellowstone K-12 Schools  
White Sulphur Springs PS\*  
Whitefish Public Schools\*  
Whitehall Public Schools\*  
Whitlash Elementary  
Wibaux K-12 Schools  
Willow Creek Public Schools\*  
Winifred K-12 Schools  
Winnett K-12 Schools  
Wisdom Elementary  
Wise River Elementary  
Wolf Creek Elementary  
Wolf Point Public Schools\*  
Wyola Elementary  
Yaak Elementary  
Zurich Elementary

\*Elementary and High School  
District