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Student Discipline

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<u>Purpose</u>

The Board recognizes that student conduct is closely related to learning. An effective educational program requires a safe and orderly school environment.

<u>Authority</u>

The Board shall establish fair, reasonable and nondiscriminatory rules and regulations regarding the conduct of all students in the district.[1][2][3][4][5]

The Board shall adopt a Code of Student Conduct to govern student discipline, and students shall not be subject to disciplinary action because of race, sex, color, religion, sexual orientation, national origin or handicap/disability. Each student must adhere to Board policies and the Code of Student Conduct governing student discipline.[1][2][4][5][6][7][8][9]

The Board shall approve the inclusion of restorative practices in the Code of Student Conduct to address violations where applicable.[9][10]

The Board prohibits the use of corporal punishment by district staff to discipline students for violations of Board policies, the Code of Student Conduct and district rules and regulations.[11]

Any student disciplined by a district employee shall have the right to be informed of the nature of the infraction and the applicable rule or rules violated.[12]

When suspensions and expulsions are imposed, they shall be carried out in accordance with Board policy.[7][12]

In the case of a student with a disability, including a student for whom an evaluation is pending, the district shall take all steps required to comply with state and federal laws and regulations, the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement and Board policies.[5][7][13][14][15][16]

On and Off-Campus Activities

This policy and the Code of Student Conduct apply to the behavior of students at all times during the time they are under the supervision of the school or at any time while on school property, while present at school-sponsored activities, and while traveling to or from school and school-sponsored activities or at other times while riding in school-provided means of transportation ("on-campus"). This policy and the Code of Student Conduct also apply to student behavior that occurs at other times and places ("off-campus") when:[3]