

STUDENT CONDUCT AND DISCIPLINE HANDBOOK

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Roseburg Public Schools MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR STUDENT CONDUCT AND DISCIPLINE

As authorized by ORS 339.240
And Established By
Oregon Administrative Rules
Minimum Standards 21-050 to 21-085.

These standards have been established within the framework of district policy relating to student personnel.

All rules and regulations pertaining to student personnel will be consistent with these standards.

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FOREWARD

After much legal research and many public meetings, the Oregon State Board of Education on May 12, 1972, adopted Minimum Standards for Student Conduct and Discipline.

Establishment of the minimum standards by the State Board of Education is an effort to deal realistically and constructively with problems of student conduct, while at the same time ensuring fair treatment for all concerned.

In addition to standards which are in the official form of Oregon Administrative Rules, non-mandatory guidelines and model codes have been suggested by the Oregon State Board of Education to aid school districts in complying with ORS 339.240, which requires every district school board to adopt and attempt to give the widest possible distribution of copies of reasonable, written rules regarding pupil conduct, discipline, and rights and procedures pertaining thereto. Such rules must comply with minimum standards promulgated by the State Board of Education.

This document is designed to comply with these standards and to formulate the basis for the establishment of rules and regulations pertaining to student conduct and discipline which will comply with local, state and federal laws.

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EEACC

Student Conduct on Buses

Students who ride buses to and from school or school-sponsored activities will be notified of the rules and regulations governing their conduct on buses as well as of the consequences for violation of those rules.

END OF POLICY

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Freedom of Expression

Students have a general right to freedom of expression within the school system. The district requires that students exercise their rights fairly, responsibly and in a manner not disruptive to other individuals or to the educational process.

Freedom of Student Inquiry and Expression

- 1. Generally, students and student organizations are free to examine and discuss questions of interest to them and to express opinions publicly and privately within the school system, provided such examination and expression is fair and responsible and is not disruptive to other individuals or to the educational process. Students may support or oppose causes by orderly means which do not disrupt other individuals or the operation of the school.
- 2. In the classroom, students are free to examine views offered in any course of study, provided such examination is expressed in a responsible manner.

Freedom of Association

Students are free to organize associations to promote their common interests. Student organizations should be open to all students. Membership criteria may not exclude students on the basis of age, race,

religion, color, national origin, disability, marital status, familial status, parental status, linguistic background, culture, socioeconomic status, capability, geographic location, sex, sexual orientation or gender identity. Each student organization must have a staff adviser to counsel and, when necessary, supervise students in the organization. All student organizations must submit to the school a statement of purpose, criteria for membership, rules and procedures and a current list of officers. School administrators may establish reasonable rules and regulations governing the activity of student organizations.

Publications, Displays and Productions

On occasion, materials such as leaflets, newsletters, cartoons and other items including displays and productions are prepared, produced and/or distributed by students as part of the educational process and free expression in an academic community. Materials may be reviewed by the administrator or may be restricted or prohibited pursuant to legitimate educational concerns. Such concerns include:

- 1. The material is or may be defamatory;
- 2. The material is inappropriate based on the age, grade level and/or maturity of the audience;
- 3. The material is poorly written, inadequately researched, biased or prejudiced;
- 4. Whether there is an opportunity for a named individual or named individuals to make a response;
- 5. Whether specific individuals may be identified even though the material does not use or give names;
- 6. The material is or may be otherwise generally disruptive to the school environment. Such disruption may occur, e.g., if the material uses, advocates or condones the use of profane language or advocates or condones the commission of unlawful acts;
- 7. Students, parents and members of the public might reasonably perceive the materials to bear the sanction or approval of the districts.

High School Student Journalists

Generally, high school student journalists have the right to exercise freedom of speech and of the press in school-sponsored media. "School sponsored media" means materials that are prepared, substantially written, published or broadcast by student journalists; that are distributed or generally made available, either free of charge or for a fee, to members of the student body; and that are prepared under the direction of a student media adviser.

School-sponsored media does not include media intended for distribution or transmission solely in the classrooms in which they are produced.

School-sponsored media prepared by student journalists are subject to reasonable time, place and manner restrictions, pursuant to state and federal law. School-sponsored media cannot contain material that:

- 1. Is libelous or slanderous:
- 2. Is obscene, pervasively indecent or vulgar;
- 3. Is factually inaccurate or does not meet journalistic standards established for school-sponsored media;
- 4. Constitutes an unwarranted invasion of privacy;
- 5. Violates federal or state law; or
- 6. So incites students as to create a clear and present danger of:
- a. The commission of unlawful acts on or off school premises;
- b. The violation of district policies or school policies; or
- c. The material and substantial disruption of the orderly operation of the school. A school official will base a forecast of material and substantial disruption on specific facts, including past experience in the school and current events influencing student behavior, and not on undifferentiated fear or apprehension.

Modifications or removal of items may be appealed in writing to the superintendent. The superintendent shall schedule a meeting within three school days of receiving the written appeal. Those present at the meeting shall include the individual(s) making the appeal, the individual(s) who made the decision to modify or remove materials and the superintendent. At the superintendent's discretion, the district's legal counsel may also attend the meeting. The superintendent shall make a decision within three school days of the meeting. The superintendent's decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

IKI

Academic Honesty

Roseburg Public Schools expects every student to conduct their educational pursuits with the highest degree of honesty, accountability for their own work and respect for the intellectual property of others. It is the responsibility of each student to understand the proper method of using source materials and crediting the work of others. Failure to adhere to the standards of academic honesty will result in appropriate sanctions, as acts of dishonesty destroy the integrity of the educational process for the student and their classmates.

Definitions

The major categories of academic dishonesty are defined as:

Academic Cheating. Academic cheating is any act of academic deception, which includes such things as receiving or communicating information to another student during a test or other assessment; looking at another's test or assessment during the exam; using notes or obtaining information during a test or assessment when prohibited; obtaining information about the questions or answers for an assessment prior to the administration of the exam; or whatever else is deemed contrary to the rules of fairness with respect to school work or assessment, including special rules developed by the instructor of the course.

Plagiarism. Plagiarism is the representation of someone else's ideas or words as one's own without crediting the source. It is the use, whether by paraphrase or direct quotation, of the published or unpublished work of another without full and clear acknowledgment through proper citation format. The submission of an assignment or parts of an assignment written by someone other than the student, including but not limited to, other students, commercial organizations, or electronic sources.

Academic Misrepresentation. Academic misrepresentation occurs when a student has another student or individual substitute for himself or herself during the taking of a test or other assessments.

Academic Collusion. Academic collusion is the sharing of test or other assessment questions or answers with another student without the instructor's permission. Academic collusion includes copying another student's homework without the instructor's permission or allowing another student to copy one's work. It also includes group collaboration on individual assignments without the instructor's permission.

Dishonesty in Papers. Dishonesty in papers entails using a writing service or having someone else write a paper for the student. All work submitted for a course must be the student's own original work unless the sources are cited.

Self-Plagiarism (Work Done for One Course and Submitted in Another). Self-Plagiarism occurs when a student for a class refers to work previously submitted in another class at any Roseburg Public School or any other school in order to fulfill the academic requirements in that class. This includes repeated classes. Slightly altered work that has been resubmitted is also considered to be self-plagiarism. In some instances instructors may allow a certain amount of work from a prior course to be repurposed; students who wish to do this must seek express approval from the instructor in advance.

Other Academic Misconduct. Other academic misconduct includes, but is not limited to, stealing assessments; altering academic tests or assessments, grades or other student records; sabotaging the work of another student; distributing materials for the purpose of cheating; altering, forging, or misusing any Roseburg Public Schools official documents.

Violations of the Academic Honesty policy may result in appropriate discipline up to and including expulsion, subject to the principles for appropriate discipline as set out in Policy JFC.

END OF POLICY

IBA/GBN

Sexual Harassment of Students

The district is committed to eliminating sexual harassment. Sexual harassment will not be tolerated in the district. All students, staff members and other persons are entitled to learn and work in an environment that is free of harassment. All staff members, students and third parties are subject to this policy. Any person may report sexual harassment.

The district processes complaints or reports of sexual harassment under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 342.700 et. al. and federal Title IX laws found in Title 34 C.F.R. Part 106. Individual complaints may require both of these procedures, and may involve additional complaint procedures.

General Procedures

When information, a report or complaint regarding sexual harassment is received by the district, the district will review such information, report or complaint to determine which law applies and will follow the appropriate procedures. When the alleged conduct could meet both of the definitions in ORS Chapter 342 and Title IX, both complaint procedures should be processed simultaneously (see JBA/GBN-AR(1) - Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure and JBA/GBN-AR(2) - Federal Law (Title IX) Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure). The district may also need to use other complaint procedures when the alleged conduct could meet the definitions for other complaint procedures.

Oregon Procedures

Reports and complaints of sexual harassment should be made to the following individual(s):

Name Position Phone Email

Robert Freeman Human Resources Director 541-440-4008 rfreeman@roseburg.k12.or.us

This/These individual(s) is/are responsible for accepting and managing complaints of sexual harassment. Persons wishing to report should contact them using the above information. This person is also designated as the Title IX Coordinator. *See* JBA/GBN-AR(1) - Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure

Federal Procedures

The district will adopt and publish grievance procedures that provide for the prompt and equitable resolution of the student and employee complaints alleging any action that would be prohibited by this policy. *See* JBA/GBN-AR(2) - Federal Law (Title IX) Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure.

Reporting

Any person may report sexual harassment. This report may be made in person, by mail, by telephone, or by electronic mail, or by any other means that results in the Title IX Coordinator receiving the person's verbal or written report. The report can be made at any time.

The Title IX Coordinator will coordinate the district's efforts to comply with its responsibilities related to this AR. The district prominently will display the contact information for the Title IX Coordinator on the district website and in each handbook.

Publication

This policy shall be made available to students, parents of students and staff members. This policy and contact information for the Title IX Coordinator shall be prominently published in the student handbook and on the district website. This policy shall also be made available at each school office and at the district office. The district shall post this policy on a sign in all grade 6 through 12 schools, on a sign that is at least 8.5 inches by 11 inches in size. A copy of the policy will be made available to any person upon request.

END OF POLICY

IBA/GBN-AR

Sexual Harassment of Students

The following procedures shall be used for the reporting, investigating and resolving of complaints of sexual harassment.

Reports and complaints of sexual harassment should be made to the following individual(s):

Name	Position	Phone
Email		

Robert Freeman Human Resources Director 541-440-4008 rfreeman@roseburg.k12.or.us

The district official receiving the complaint shall issue the required written notice as outlined under Oregon Procedures in Board policy JBA/GBN - Sexual Harassment.

Step 1 The district official receiving the report or complaint shall promptly initiate an investigation using procedures and standards, including but not limited to, those identified in Board policy [BA/GBN -Sexual Harassment and will notify the complainant or reporting person. any impacted person who is not a reporting person (if appropriate), each reported person, and where applicable the parents of a reporting person, impacted person, or reported person, when such investigation is initiated. The official will arrange such meetings as may be necessary to discuss the issue with all concerned parties within five working days after receipt of the report or complaint. The parties will have an opportunity to submit evidence and a list of witnesses. All findings of the investigation shall be reduced to writing. The official conducting the investigation shall notify the parties in writing that the investigation is concluded and if a violation of the policy was found to have occurred to the extent allowable by law within 30 days of receipt of the report or complaint.

A copy of the required written notice(s) and the date and details of notification of the notice of investigation and results of the investigation, together with any other documentation related to the sexual harassment incident, including disciplinary action taken or recommended, shall be forwarded to the superintendent.

Step 2 If a complainant is not satisfied with the decision at Step 1, the complainant may submit a written appeal to the superintendent or designee. Such appeal must be filed within 10 working days after receipt of the Step 1 decision. The superintendent or designee will arrange such meetings with the complainant and other affected parties as deemed necessary to discuss the appeal within 5 working days of receipt of the appeal. The superintendent or designee shall provide a written decision to the complainant within 10 working days.

Step 3 If a complainant is not satisfied with the decision at Step 2, the complainant may submit a written appeal to the Board. Such appeal must be filed within 10 working days after receipt of the Step 2 decision. The Board will review the decision of the superintendent or designee in a public meeting to determine what action is appropriate. The Board may use executive session if the subject matter qualifies under Oregon law. Appropriate action may include, but is not limited to, holding a hearing, requesting additional information, and adopting the superintendent's or designee's decision. All parties involved, including the school administration, may be asked to attend a hearing for the purposes of making further explanations and clarifying the issues. The Board shall provide a written decision to the complainant within 30 working days following receipt of the appeal.

If the Board chooses not to hear the complaint, the superintendent's or designee's decision in Step 2 is final.

The superintendent is authorized to amend these procedures (including timelines) when the superintendent feels it is necessary for the efficient handling of the complaint. Notice of any amendments will be promptly provided to the parties.

Complaints against the principal may start at Step 2 and may be filed with the superintendent or designee. The superintendent or designee will cause the required notices to be provided. The superintendent or designee will investigate the complaint and will notify the parties in writing that the investigation is concluded and if a violation of the policy was found to have occurred to the extent allowable by law. If the complaint remains unresolved within 10 working days of receipt by the superintendent or designee, the complainant may appeal to the Board in Step 3.

Complaints against the superintendent or a Board member (other than the Board chair) may start at Step 3 and should be referred to the Board chair on behalf of the Board. The Board chair will cause required notices to be provided. The Board chair shall present the complaint to the Board. The Board may use executive session if the subject matter qualifies under Oregon law. If the Board decides an investigation is warranted, the Board may refer the investigation to a third party. When the investigation is complete, the results will be presented to the Board. After receiving the results of the investigation, the Board shall decide, within 20 days, in open session what action, if any, is warranted. The Board chair shall notify the parties in writing that the investigation is concluded and if a violation of the policy was found to have occurred to the extent allowable by law.

Complaints against the Board chair may start at Step 3 and should be referred to the Board vice chair on behalf of the Board. The Board vice chair will cause required notices to be provided. The Board vice chair shall present the complaint to the Board. The Board may use executive session if the subject matter qualifies under Oregon law. If the Board decides an investigation is warranted, the Board may refer the investigation to a third party. When the investigation is complete, the results will be presented to the Board. After receiving the results of the investigation, the Board shall decide, within 20 days, in open session what action, if any, is warranted. The Board vice chair shall notify the parties in writing that the investigation is concluded and if a violation of the policy was found to have occurred to the extent allowable by law. Direct complaints related to employment may be filed with the U.S. Department of Labor, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries.

Direct complaints related to educational programs and services may be made to the Regional Civil Rights Director, U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights, Region X, 915 2nd Ave., Room 3310, Seattle, WA 98174-1099.

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Attendance

Attendance requirements are to:

- 1. Contribute to the academic success of students:
- 2. Inform parents about their student's class attendance or nonattendance;
- 3. Place the responsibility for attendance in the hands of students and their parents;
- 4. Aid students in making decisions and accepting the responsibilities and consequences resulting from those decisions;
- 5. Stress that punctual and regular attendance is a learned function necessary in coping with life;
- 6. Stress attendance may impact grades and credit;
- 7. Meet Oregon graduation requirements.

Each school shall notify parents/guardians by the end of the school day if their child has an unplanned absence. The notification will be either in person, by telephone or another method identified in writing by the parent/guardian. If the parent/guardian cannot be notified by the above methods, a message shall be left, if possible.

The Board directs the superintendent to develop rules and regulations which meet these objectives and to publish those rules and regulations annually for students and their parents.

END OF POLICY

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Compulsory Attendance**

Except when exempt by Oregon law, all students between ages 6 and 18 who have not completed the 12th grade are required to regularly attend a public, full-time school during the entire school term.

All students five years of age who have been enrolled in a public school are required to attend regularly while enrolled in the public school.

Persons having legal control of a child between the ages 6 and 18, who has not completed the 12th grade, are required to have the child attend and maintain the child in regular attendance during the entire school term. Persons having legal control of a child, who is five years of age and

has enrolled the child in a public school, are required to have the child attend and maintain the child in regular attendance during the school term.

Under the superintendent's direction and supervision, attendance supervisors shall monitor and report any violation of the compulsory attendance law to the superintendent or designee. Failure to send a child to school and to maintain a child in regular attendance is a Class C violation.

The district will develop procedures for issuing a citation.

A parent who is not supervising their child by requiring school attendance may also be in violation of Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 163.577 (1)(c). Failing to supervise a child is a Class A violation.

Exemptions from Compulsory School Attendance

In the following cases, children shall not be required to attend public, full-time schools:

- 1. Children being taught in a private or parochial school in courses of study usually taught in Kindergarten through grade 12 in the public schools and in attendance for a period equivalent to that required of students attending public schools;
- 2. Children proving to the Board's satisfaction that they have acquired equivalent knowledge to that acquired in the courses of study taught in kindergarten through grade 12 in the public schools
- 3. Children who have received a high school diploma or a modified diploma
- 4. Children being taught, by a private teacher, the courses of study usually taught in kindergarten through grade 12 in the public school for a period equivalent to that required of students attending public schools;
- 5. Children being educated in the home by a parent, guardian or private teacher:

- a. When a student is taught or is withdrawn from a public school to be taught by a parent or private teacher, the parent or teacher must notify the Douglas Education Service District (ESD) in writing within 10 days of such occurrence. In addition, when a home-schooled student moves to a new ESD, the parent shall notify the new ESD in writing, within 10 days, of the intent to continue home schooling. The ESD superintendent shall acknowledge receipt of any notification in writing within 90 days of receipt of the notification. The ESD is to notify, at least annually, school districts of home-schooled students who reside in their district;
- b. Each child being taught by a parent or private teacher shall be examined no later than August 15, following grades 3, 5, 8 and 10:
 - (1) If the student was withdrawn from public school, the first examination shall be administered at least 18 months after the date the student withdrew:
 - (2) If the child never attended public or private school, the first examination shall be administered prior to the end of grade 3;
 - (3) Procedures for homeschooling students with disabilities are set out in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 581-021-0029.
- Examinations testing each child shall be from the list of approved examinations from the State Board of Education;
- d. The examination must be administered by a neutral, individual qualified to administer tests on the approved list provided by the Oregon Department of Education;

- e. The person administering the examination shall score the examination and report the results to the parent.

 Upon request of the ESD superintendent, the parent shall submit the results of the examination to the ESD;
- f. All costs for the test instrument, administration and scoring are the responsibility of the parent;
- g. In the event the ESD superintendent finds that the student is not showing satisfactory educational progress, the ESD superintendent shall provide the parent with a written statement of the reasons for the finding, based on the test results and shall follow the guidelines in Oregon Revised Statutes and Oregon Administrative Rules.
- 6. Children whose sixth birthday occurred on or before September 1 immediately preceding the beginning of the current school year, if the parent or guardian notified the child's resident district in writing that the parent or guardian is delaying the enrollment of their child for one school year to better meet the child's needs for cognitive, social or physical development, as determined by the parent or guardian.
- 7. Children who are present in the United States on a nonimmigrant visa and who are attending a private, accredited English language learner program in preparation for attending a private high school or college.
- 8. Children excluded from attendance as provided by law.
- 9. Children who are eligible military children are exempt up to 10 days after the date of military transfer or pending transfer indicated in the official military order.
- 10. An exemption may be granted to the parent or guardian of any child 16 or 17 years of age who is lawfully employed full -time, or who is lawfully employed part-time and enrolled in school, a community college or an alternative education program as defined in ORS 336.615.

11. An exemption may be granted to any child who is an emancipated minor or who has initiated the procedure for emancipation under ORS 419B.550 - 419B.558.

END OF POLICY

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Student Absences and Excuses

It is the student's responsibility to attend all assigned classes. A student's absence from school or class will be excused under the following circumstances:

- 1. Illness, including mental and behavioral health of the student;
- 2. Illness of an immediate family member when the student's presence at home is necessary;
- 3. Emergency situations that require the student's absence;
- 4. Student is a dependent of a member of the U.S. Armed Forces who is on active duty or who is called to active duty. The student may be excused for up to seven days during the school year;
- 5. Field trips and school-approved activities;
- 6. Medical (dental) appointments. Confirmation of appointments may be required;
- 7. Other reasons deemed appropriate by the school administrator when satisfactory arrangements have been made in advance of the absence.

Each school shall notify parents or guardians by the end of the school day if their child has an unplanned absence. The notification will be either in person, by telephone or another method identified in writing by the parent or guardian. If the parent or guardian cannot be notified by the above methods, a message shall be left, if possible.

Additionally, the superintendent will develop procedures whereby those students who are considered truant may be subject to the following penalties: detention, suspension and/or ineligibility to participate in athletics or other activities.

END OF POLICY

IF/IFA

STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Board has the responsibility to afford students the rights that are theirs by virtue of guarantees offered under federal and state constitutions and statutes. In connection with these rights are responsibilities that must be assumed by students.

Among these student rights and responsibilities are the following:

- 1. Civil rights including the rights to equal educational opportunity and freedom from discrimination; the responsibility not to discriminate against others;
- 2. The right to attend free public schools; the responsibility to attend school regularly and to observe school rules essential for permitting others to learn at school:
- 3. The right to due process of law with respect to suspension, expulsion and decisions which the student believes injure their rights;
- 4. The right to free inquiry and expression; the responsibility to observe reasonable rules regarding these rights;
- 5. The right to privacy, which includes privacy with respect to the student's education records.

Students have the right to know the behavior standards expected of them as well as to know the consequences of misbehavior.

Students' rights and responsibilities, including standards of conduct, will be made available to students, their parents and employees through information distributed annually.

END OF POLICY

IFC

STUDENT BEHAVIOR STANDARDS AND EXPECTATIONS

The Board expects student conduct to contribute to a productive learning climate. Students shall comply with the district's written rules, pursue the prescribed course of study, submit to the lawful authority of district staff and conduct themselves in an orderly manner at school during the school day or during school-sponsored activities.

Careful attention shall be given to procedures and methods whereby fairness and consistency without bias in discipline shall be assured each

student. The objectives of disciplining any student must be to help the student develop a positive attitude toward self-discipline, realize the responsibility of one's actions and to maintain a productive learning environment. All staff members have responsibility for consistency in establishing and maintaining an appropriate behavioral atmosphere.

A student handbook, code of conduct or other document shall be developed by district administration and will be made available and distributed to parents, students and employees outlining student conduct expectations and possible disciplinary actions, including consequences for disorderly conduct. In addition, each school in the district shall publish a student/parent handbook detailing additional rules specific to that school.

Students in violation of Board policy, student/parent handbook, administrative regulation and/or code of conduct provisions will be subject to discipline up to and including expulsion. Students are subject to discipline for conduct while traveling to and from school, at the bus stop, at school-sponsored events, while at other schools in the district and while off campus, whenever such conduct causes a substantial and material disruption of the educational environment or the invasion of rights of others. Students may be denied participation in extracurricular activities. Titles and/or privileges available to or granted to students may also be denied and/or revoked (e.g., valedictorian, salutatorian, student body, class or club office positions, senior trip, prom, etc.). A referral to law enforcement may also be made.

Students are prohibited from making knowingly false statements or knowingly submitting false information in bad faith as part of a complaint or report, or associated with an investigation into misconduct.

The district will annually record and report expulsion data for conduct violations as required by the Oregon Department of Education.

BEHAVIOR INFRACTIONS

Disrespect

Students will show respect and courtesy toward each other and adults.

Reasonable requests by teachers, administrators, paid aides, volunteer aides, student aides, custodians, bus drivers, cooks, secretaries, etc., will be obeyed. Misconduct that disrupts and/or shows disrespect for the orderly operations of classroom learning environment will not be tolerated.

Failure to Report Serious Misconduct or the Threat of Serious Misconduct

Students are expected to immediately inform school personnel of serious misconduct by other students or potential threats to the safety of other students or staff. "Serious misconduct" means behavior that has resulted in or poses a credible threat to the safety, security or wellbeing of students, staff or school property.

Inappropriate Displays of Affection

While on school property, or in a vehicle operated by the District, or attending a school related event, students shall not engage in displays of affection that disrupt the educational process or the viewing of which make most students, staff or the public feel uncomfortable. "Inappropriate displays of affection" are public, physical exchanges between students that are overly sexualized. Occasional holding of hands, brief kissing or hugging are not typically considered inappropriate.

Leaving School Grounds

No student is to leave at any time, for any reason, with the following exceptions: (1) a specific need verified by parent and approved by the administrator; (2) students who have parent- and school-approved work-release privilege; (3) students who have written parent permission on file with the building administrator.

Students who leave school grounds for any reason other than the above exceptions are considered truant. (See Truancy)

Prohibited Recordings

Students are prohibited from making any visual or auditory recordings of conduct or activity on school premises or at a school-related activity which violates a school policy if the recording is made with intent to promote, encourage or facilitate such conduct or activity. Dissemination or publication of a prohibited recording with intent to disrupt or prevent a safe and positive educational environment will be treated as a violation of the District's cyberbullying portion of this policy.

Trespassing

Students who have been suspended, expelled or otherwise restricted from school or persons of school age who are not otherwise permitted to be on school property or at a school event shall not come upon or remain on school property or at a school related event when ordered to leave by school personnel.

Truancy

Truancy is defined as absence from school without permission.

The district believes irregular attendance is one of the factors associated with student failure and frustration with the school experience. A fundamental purpose for insisting on punctual, regular school attendance is to help each student develop habits of responsibility.

Use of Obscene/Vulgar Language, Gestures or Images

Students shall not use, produce, or broadcast obscene or vulgar language, gestures or images at school or at a school related event. When obscene or vulgar language is spoken or broadcast or obscene or vulgar gestures are used, produced or broadcast, the staff member hearing or observing the obscenity or vulgarity will confer with the student and take appropriate disciplinary action. If the staff member is not the individual student's classroom teacher, he/she will inform the classroom teacher or the appropriate administrator of the incident and the action taken. This should occur as soon as practical after the incident.

Penalties

Student behavior infractions may result in reprimand, conference, behavior contracts, detention, loss of privileges and other building level interventions as appropriate. A school official may impose additional or enhanced disciplinary action for repeat behaviors.

Procedures for Student Violations

- 1. If the reported incident involves any of the violations listed as behavior infractions, the infraction will be immediately addressed by the staff member who observes the violation.
- 2. The intervention should be commensurate with the degree of the violation and any pattern of misbehavior.
- 3. It is likely that low level, infrequent and unintentional violations may be addressed quickly by the staff member who observes the misconduct without involving others or even making a record of the infraction.
- 4. If the reported incident is unusually disruptive, recurring or intentional, such infractions may best be resolved by referral to the building administration.
- 5. Whenever such infractions are referred to the building administrator, a record of the incident shall be made and the administrator shall notify the student's parents as soon as is practicable.

NON-VIOLENT MISCONDUCT

The district is dedicated to providing a safe environment for students, parents, staff and the public. To this end, the following conduct is prohibited at any time during school hours or during school-related activities on or off school grounds.

Damaging or Destroying School Property or the Property of Others

A student present on district property, engaged in a school-related activity or attending a school related activity is prohibited from intentionally or recklessly damaging or destroying school property. Any person who damages or destroys school property will be asked to pay the cost of replacement or restoration of the damaged property in addition to being subjected to appropriate disciplinary actions and legal proceedings. Parents or guardians of a minor student who damages or

destroys school property or the property of a student or school employee is liable for all costs associated with repairing or replacing the damaged or destroyed property.

Slander and Libel

Students may not slander or libel other students or school staff. "Slander" is the verbal communication of a falsehood from one person to one or more other persons. "Libel" is the written or electronic publication of a falsehood from one person to one or more other persons.

Theft/Criminal Mischief

A student present on district property, engaged in a school-related activity or attending a school-related activity is prohibited from exercising control over the property of any other person or damaging the property of any other person or the school without the consent of the owner of such property.

Unjustified Interference with School Authorities

Students shall not willfully disobey, defy, intimidate or threaten a school employee or use or threaten to use force or violence against a school employee during the employee's performance of his or her duties.

Vandalism/Graffiti

Students are prohibited from vandalizing or defacing school property or the property of another student or school employee with unwelcome words, symbols or artwork. Vandalism is the act of damaging property. The parent or guardian of a student is liable for the cost to repair or replace property damaged by vandalism or graffiti if the student is a minor.

Penalties

Any student who engages in any of the prohibited conduct outlined above will be subject to the following:

- 1. Criminal or juvenile action if the violation is such that it warrants a referral to the appropriate agency;
- 2. Ejection from and/or banishment from school property or the area where a school-related activity is being conducted;
- 3. A school official may impose additional or enhanced disciplinary action for repeat behaviors.
- 4. Disciplinary action up to and including expulsion from school.

Procedures for Non-Violent Offenses

- 1. The staff member who observes the offense will immediately intervene and address the infraction.
- 2. Intervention should be commensurate with the degree of the violation and the history of misbehavior.
- 3. The staff member will report the offense to the building administrator if appropriate.
- 4. If the infraction is reported to the building administrator, he/she shall impose sanction up to 10 days suspension.
- 5. In cases involving an actual and credible risk of injury or which are otherwise aggravated or recurring, the administrator may refer for expulsion.

VIOLENT MISCONDUCT

The district is dedicated to providing a safe environment for students, parents, staff and the public. To this end, the following conduct is prohibited at any time during school hours or during school-related activities on or off school grounds.

Arson - "Arson" is the intentional use of fire to damage or attempt to damage property of a student's or the school. Setting off or reporting false fire alarms is also grounds for disciplinary action.

Assault - A student present on school property, engaged in a school-related activity or attending a school-related activity is prohibited from fighting with or assaulting any other person.

1. "Assault" is defined as intentional, unauthorized physical contact with another person which causes physical, mental or emotional injury or would reasonably be expected to cause such an injury. "Physical injury" is defined as meaning impairment of physical condition or substantial pain.

Assault does not include physical pain or discomfort resulting from or caused by:

- a. Training for or participation in athletic competition voluntarily engaged in by a student;
- b. Recreational activity voluntarily engaged in by a student;
- Physical exertion shared by all students in a teacher directed class activity which may include, but is not limited to, physical education exercises, field trips or vocational education projects; or
- d. Physical restraint or the use of aversive techniques as part of a behavior management program in a student's individual education program which has been signed by a parent and is carried out according to district procedure and policy.
- 2. A person may use physical restraint on another when and to the extent that is necessary to defend the student or another person from the imminent unlawful physical force or from imminent danger.

Disruptive or Unsafe Behavior - A student present on school property, engaged in a school-related activity or attending a school-related activity is prohibited from engaging in disruptive, unsafe or abusive conduct that deprives other students of the opportunity to learn or participate in a school related activity or interferes with the instructional program in the classroom. Such behavior includes but is not limited to:

- 1. Engaging in violent or threatening behavior;
- 2. Disturbing a classroom or school activity;

- 3. Initiating or circulating a report, knowing it to be false, concerning an alleged or impending fire, explosion, crime, catastrophe or other emergency; or
- 4. Intentionally creating a hazardous or physically offensive condition.

Explosive Devices or Materials

The use or threatened use, possession or sale of explosive devices or materials or look-alike explosive devices on school grounds or at a school related activity is prohibited. "Explosive devices" means any device or inert facsimile of such a device that has an explosive, incendiary or poison gas component. Explosive materials are substances that are capable of producing an explosive, incendiary or poisonous gas reaction.

Fighting

"Fighting" means mutual participation in any form of physical altercation or acts of person-to-person aggression. "Mutual participation" includes inciting or encouraging others to fight or watching others who are fighting. Students are prohibited from fighting on or near school grounds in school vehicles or at a school related event.

Gang Activities - - A "gang" is defined as a group that identifies itself through the use of a name, unique appearance or language including hand signs, claiming of geographical territory or the espousing of a distinctive belief system that frequently results in criminal activity. Gangs or organizations which initiate, advocate or promote activities threatening the safety or well-being of persons or property on school grounds or disturbing the school environment are harmful to the educational process. Such acts are contrary to a productive climate and educational objectives and create an atmosphere where unlawful acts or violations of school regulations may occur. It shall therefore be the policy of the district to prohibit the following activities:

1. Wearing, possessing, using, distributing, displaying or selling any clothing, jewelry, emblem, badge, symbol, sign or other things which are evidence of membership or affiliation in an illegal gang or group involved in illegal activities;

- 2. Use speech or commit any act or omission in furtherance of the interest of any gang or gang activity;
- 3. Participation incidents involving initiations, hazing, intimidations and/or related activities of such group affiliations which are likely to cause bodily danger, physical or mental harm to students or employees.

Potentially Harmful Object/Device Possessions - No student shall bring to school or possess on school grounds or at a school activity any device, instrument, material, substance or animal which is determined by the proper school authority to create an unreasonable risk to the safety or security of the student, of other persons, or of the property of the school, of school employees, of students, or of other persons.

Any school employee shall take control of any such device, instrument, material, substance or animal and deliver it to the principal and the principal shall, as is reasonable, take steps to make it safe or return it to the student after school hours or return it to the student's parent or destroy it or otherwise dispose of it.

The principal may allow a device, instrument, material, substance or animal which would otherwise fall within this policy to remain on school premises if there is a legitimate educational purpose for the object's presence, and if appropriate, safeguards are taken.

If an object or device in a student's possession qualifies as a dangerous weapon or deadly weapon or firearm, then it shall be dealt with as a deadly/dangerous weapons violation.

Knives, which do not meet strict definition requirements of "weapon", including pocketknives, will usually be treated as potentially harmful possessions under this policy, and may result in expulsion from school depending on the degree of the credible threat.

Illegal items or other possessions reasonably determined by the proper school authorities to be a threat to the safety or security of the possessor or others may be seized by school officials in accordance with the school district's property confiscation procedures. Items, which may be used to disrupt or interfere with the educational process, shall be temporarily

removed from the student's possession. (See JFG, Student Searches and Questioning)

Reckless Endangering

Students are prohibited from engaging in conduct while at school or in a vehicle operated by the District or at a school related activity which creates a substantial risk of physical, mental or emotional injury to themselves or others or school property.

Penalties

Any person who engages in any of the prohibited conduct outlined above will be subject to the following:

- 1. Criminal or juvenile action if the violation is such that it warrants a referral to the appropriate agency;
- 2. Ejection from and/or banishment from school property or the area where a school-related activity is being conducted;
- 3. A school official may impose additional or enhanced disciplinary action for repeat behavior.
- 4. Disciplinary action up to and including expulsion from school.

Procedures for Violent Offenses

- 1. If the reported incident involves any of the violations listed above, the infraction will be immediately referred to the building administration.
- 2. The consequence should be commensurate with the degree of the violation and the history of misbehavior.
- 3. In cases not falling under Deadly/Dangerous Weapons, the building administrator shall impose sanctions up to 10 days suspension.
- 4. In cases involving an actual and credible risk of injury or which are otherwise aggravated or recurring, the administrator may refer for expulsion.

FIREARMS AND DEADLY WEAPONS

The district prohibits any student present on school property, engaged in a school-related activity or attending a school-related activity from bringing, possessing, concealing, using or threatening to use a weapon.

Weapons under the control of law enforcement personnel are permitted. The superintendent may authorize other persons to possess weapons for courses, programs and activities approved by the district and conducted on district property.

A weapon, or replica of a weapon, found on school property or at school-related activities shall be confiscated and the incident reported to local law enforcement agencies. The superintendent shall prepare a procedure for confiscating, forfeiting and disposing of any weapons found on school property or at school-related activities.

A "weapon" means a firearm, destructive device, dangerous weapon or deadly weapon as those terms are defined in the Oregon Criminal Code, as amended.

"Possession" means a conscious awareness of the ability to control the object.

Penalties

The following penalties may apply when any person is accused of violating the weapons policy:

- 1. Forfeiture of any firearm, dangerous weapon or deadly weapon found on school property or at a school-related function;
- 2. Criminal or juvenile action if the violation is such that it warrants a referral to the appropriate agency;
- 3. Ejection from and/or banishment from school property or the area where a school- related activity is being conducted;
- 4. Disciplinary action up to and including expulsion for a period of at least one year.

Procedures for Student Violations

1. In accordance with Oregon law, any employee who has reasonable cause to believe a student or other person has, within the previous 120 days, unlawfully been in possession of a firearm or destructive device as defined by this policy, shall immediately report such violation to an administrator, his/her designee or law enforcement. Employees who report directly to law enforcement shall also immediately inform an administrator.

Administrators shall promptly notify the appropriate law enforcement agency of staff reports received and at any other time there is reasonable cause to believe violations have occurred or that a student has been expelled for bringing, possessing, concealing or using a dangerous or deadly weapon, firearm or destructive device. Parents will be notified of all conduct by their student that violates this policy.

- 2. If the reported incident involves possessing, bringing, concealing or using a weapon on school property or during a school-related activity, the student shall be immediately suspended from school for a period of up to five days during which a designated administrator shall conduct an investigation of the incident.
- 3. If the administrator finds no violation of school policy, the suspension shall end immediately and the student allowed to return to school. If, after completing the investigation, the administrator has reason to believe that the student possessed, brought or concealed a firearm or deadly weapon or used a dangerous weapon with the intent to cause or threaten to cause physical injury, the suspension shall continue while the administrator initiates expulsion proceedings.
- 4. Students found to have brought, possessed, concealed or used a firearm in violation of this policy or state law shall be expelled for a period of not less than one year. All other violations of the policy will result in discipline up to and including expulsion and/or referral to law enforcement, as appropriate.
- 5. The superintendent may, on a case-by-case basis, modify this expulsion requirement. The district may also request suspension of a

student's driving privileges or the right to apply for driving privileges with the Oregon Department of Transportation, as provided by law. Appropriate disciplinary and/or legal action will be taken against students or others who assist in activity prohibited by this policy.

- 6. Any student expelled for violating the policy prohibiting the possessing, bringing or concealing or using a weapon on school property or at a school-related activity may petition the Board for a conditional readmission to school.
- 7. Any student expelled for violating the weapons policy may, at the discretion of the district, enroll in or receive any alternative educational programs or counseling available through the district.
- 8. The superintendent shall notify the Board if any reported violation of this policy results in an investigation as well as the outcome of the investigation.

END OF POLICY

IFCA

Student Dress and Grooming **

Responsibility for dress and grooming rests primarily with students and their parents; the district expects student dress and grooming to meet standards which ensure that the following conditions do not exist:

- 1. Disruption or interference with the classroom learning environment;
- 2. Threat to the health and/or safety of the student concerned or of other students.

Students who represent the school in a voluntary activity may be required to conform to dress and grooming standards and may be denied the opportunity to participate if those standards are not met.

END OF POLICY

JFCEB

Personal Electronic Devices and Social Media

Student possession or use of personal communication devices on district property, in district facilities during the school day and while the student is in attendance at district-sponsored activities may be permitted subject to the limitations set forth in this policy and consistent with any additional school rules as may be established by the principal and approved by the superintendent.

A "personal electronic device" is a device that is capable of electronically communicating, sending, receiving, storing, recording, reproducing and/or displaying information and data.

"Independent communication" means communication that does not require assistance or interpretation by an individual who is not part of the communication but that may require the use or assistance of an electronic device.

Personal electronic devices shall be turned off during instructional or class time or at any other time where such use of the device would cause a disruption of school activities. Devices which have the capability to take photographs or record video shall not be used for such purposes while on district property or while a student is engaged in district-sponsored activities, unless as expressly authorized in advance by the principal or designee. Computers, tablets, iPads or similar devices brought to school will be restricted to academic activities and independent communications.

A process for responding to a student's request to use a personal electronic device, including an appeal process if the request is denied, will be provided.

The district will not be liable for personal electronic devices brought to district property and district-sponsored activities.

Students may not access social media sites using district equipment, while on district property or at district-sponsored activities unless the posting is approved by a district representative. The district will not be liable for information or comments posted by students on social media websites.

Exceptions to the prohibitions set forth in this policy may be made for health, safety or emergency reasons with prior principal or designee approval or when use is provided for in a student's individualized education program (IEP).

Students are subject to disciplinary action up to and including expulsion for using a personal electronic device in any manner that is academically dishonest, illegal, or violates the terms of this policy¹. A referral to law enforcement officials may also be made. Personal electronic devices brought to district property or used in violation of this policy are subject to confiscation and will be released to the student's parent or property owner, as appropriate.

The superintendent shall ensure that the Board's policy and any subsequent school rules developed by building administrators are reviewed and approved in advance to ensure consistency with this policy and that pertinent provisions of policy and rules are communicated to students and parents through building handbooks and other means.

END OF POLICY

IFCF

Hazing/Harassment/Intimidation/Menacing/Bullying/ Cyberbullying/Teen Dating Violence/Domestic Violence - Student **

The Board, in its commitment to providing a safe, positive and productive learning environment for all students, will consult with

parents/guardians, employees, volunteers, students, administrators and community representatives in developing this policy in compliance with applicable Oregon law.

Hazing, harassment, intimidation or bullying, menacing, and acts of cyberbullying by students, staff, or third parties toward students is strictly prohibited. Teen dating violence is unacceptable behavior and prohibited. Each student has the right to a safe learning environment.

Retaliation against any person who is a victim of, who reports, is thought to have reported, or files a complaint about an act of hazing, harassment, intimidation or bullying, menacing, an act of cyberbullying, or teen dating violence, or otherwise participates in an investigation or inquiry is strictly prohibited. A person who engages in retaliatory behavior will be subject to consequences and appropriate remedial action. False charges shall also be regarded as a serious offense and will result in consequences and appropriate remedial action.

Students whose behavior is found to be in violation of this policy will be subject to consequences and appropriate remedial action which may include discipline, up to and including expulsion.

Staff whose behavior is found to be in violation of this policy will be subject to consequences and appropriate remedial action which may include discipline, up to and including dismissal. Third parties whose behavior is found to be in violation of this policy shall be subject to appropriate sanctions as determined and imposed by the superintendent or the Board.

Students, staff, or third parties may also be referred to law enforcement officials.

The principal and the superintendent are responsible for ensuring that this policy is implemented.

Definitions

"District" includes district facilities, district premises and non-district property if the student is at any district-sponsored, district-approved or district-related activity or function, such as field trips or athletic events where students are under the control of the district.

"Third parties" include, but are not limited to, coaches, school volunteers, parents, school visitors, service contractors or others engaged in district business, such as employees of businesses or organizations participating in cooperative work programs with the district and others not directly subject to district control at interdistrict and intradistrict athletic competitions or other school events.

"Hazing" includes, but is not limited to, any act that recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental health, physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of initiation or as a condition or precondition of attaining membership in, or affiliation with, any district-sponsored activity or grade level attainment, (i.e., personal servitude, sexual stimulation/sexual assault, forced consumption of any drink, alcoholic beverage, drug or controlled substance, forced exposure to the elements, forced prolonged exclusion from social contact, sleep deprivation or any other forced activity that could adversely affect the mental or physical health or safety of a student); requires, encourages, authorizes or permits another to be subject to wearing or carrying any obscene or physically burdensome article; or assignment of pranks to be performed or other such activities intended to degrade or humiliate. It is not a defense against hazing that the student subjected to hazing consented to or appeared to consent to the hazing.

"Harassment, intimidation or bullying" means any act that substantially interferes with a student's educational benefits, opportunities or performance, that takes place on or immediately adjacent to district grounds, at any district-sponsored activity, on district-provided transportation or at any official district bus stop, that may be based on, but not limited to, the protected class status of a person, having the effect of:

- 1. Physically harming a student or damaging a student's property;
- 2. Knowingly placing a student in reasonable fear of physical harm to the student or damage to the student's property;
- 3. Creating a hostile educational environment including interfering with the psychological well-being of the student.

"Protected class" means a group of persons distinguished, or perceived to be distinguished, by race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, marital status, familial status, source of income or disability.

"Teen dating violence" means:

- 1. A pattern of behavior in which a person uses or threatens to use physical, mental or emotional abuse to control another person who is in a dating relationship with the person, where one or both persons are 13 to 19 years of age; or
- Behavior by which a person uses or threatens to use sexual violence against another person who is in a dating relationship with the person, where one or both persons are 13 to 19 years of age.

"Domestic violence" means abuse between family and/or household members, as those terms are described in ORS 107.705.

"Cyberbullying" is the use of any electronic communication device to harass, intimidate or bully. Students and staff will refrain from using personal communication devices or district equipment to violate this policy.

"Retaliation" means any acts of, including but not limited to hazing, harassment, intimidation or bullying, menacing, cyberbullying toward the victim, a person in response to an actual or apparent reporting of, or participation in the investigation of hazing, harassment, intimidation or bullying, menacing, teen dating violence, acts of cyberbullying, or retaliation.

"Menacing" includes, any act intended to place a district employee, student or third party in fear of imminent serious physical injury.

Reporting

The building principal will take reports and conduct a prompt investigation of any reported acts of hazing, harassment, intimidation or bullying, menacing cyberbullying, or teen dating violence. Any employee who has knowledge of conduct in violation of this policy shall immediately report concerns to the building principal who has overall responsibility for all investigations. Any employee who has knowledge of incidents of teen dating violence that took place on district property, at a district-sponsored activity, or in a vehicle used for district-provided transportation shall immediately report the incident to the building principal. Failure of an employee to report any act of hazing, harassment, intimidation or bullying, menacing cyberbullying, or teen dating violence to the building principal may be subject to remedial action, up to and including dismissal. Remedial action may not be based solely on an anonymous report.

Any student who has knowledge of conduct in violation of this policy or feels they have been subjected to an act of hazing, harassment, intimidation or bullying, menacing, or cyberbullying or feel they have been a victim of teen dating violence in violation of this policy, is encouraged to immediately report concerns to the building principal who has overall responsibility for all investigations. Any volunteer who has knowledge of conduct in violation of this policy is encouraged to immediately report concerns to the building principal. A report made by a student or volunteer may be made anonymously. A student or

volunteer may also report concerns to a teacher or counselor who will be responsible for notifying the appropriate district official.

Reports against the principal shall be filed with the superintendent. Reports against the superintendent shall be filed with the Board chair.

The person who makes the report shall be notified when the investigation has been completed and, as appropriate, the findings of the investigation and any remedial action that has been taken. The person who made the report may request that the superintendent review the actions taken in the initial investigation, in accordance with administrative regulations and district complaint procedures.

Notification to Parents or Guardians

The building principal shall notify the parents or guardians of a student who was subject to an act of harassment, intimidation, bullying or cyberbullying, and the parents or guardians of a student who may have conducted an act of harassment, intimidation, bullying or cyberbullying.

The notification must occur with involvement and consideration of the needs and concerns of the student who was the subject to an act of harassment, intimidation, bullying or cyberbullying. The notification is not required if the building principal reasonably believes notification could endanger the student who was subjected to an act of harassment, intimidation, bullying or cyberbullying or if all of the following occur:

- 1. The student who was subjected to an act of harassment, intimidation, bullying, or cyberbullying requests that notification not be provided to the student's parents or guardians.
- 2. The building principal determines that notification is not in the best interest of the student who was subjected to an act of harassment, intimidation, bullying, or cyberbullying; and
- 3. The building principal informs the student that federal law may require the student's parents and guardians to have access to the student's education record, including any requests of nondisclosure (from item 1 above).

If the building principal determines the notification is not in the best interest of the student, they must inform the student of that determination prior to providing notification.

When notification is provided, the notification must occur:

- 1. Within a reasonable period of time; or
- 2. Promptly, for acts that caused physical harm to the student.

Training and Education

The district shall incorporate into existing training programs for students information related to the prevention of, and the appropriate response to, acts of harassment, intimidation or bullying, and acts of cyberbullying and this policy.

The district shall incorporate age-appropriate education about teen dating violence and domestic violence into new or existing training programs for students in grades 7 through 12.

The district shall incorporate into existing training programs for staff information related to the prevention of, and the appropriate response to, acts of harassment, intimidation or bullying, teen dating violence, domestic violence, and acts of cyberbullying and this policy.

Notice

The superintendent shall be responsible for ensuring annual notice of this policy is provided in a student or staff handbook, school and district's website, and school and district office and the development of administrative regulations, including reporting and investigative procedures. Complaint procedures, as established by the district, shall be followed.

Domestic violence posters provided by the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) shall be posted in clearly visible locations on school campuses in accordance with rules adopted by ODE.

END OF POLICY

IFCG/IFCH/IFCI

Use of Tobacco Products, Alcohol, Drugs or Inhalant Delivery Systems

Student substance abuse, possession, use, distribution or sale of tobacco products, inhalant delivery systems, alcohol or unlawful drugs, including drug paraphernalia or any substance purported to be an unlawful drug, on or near any district property or grounds, including parking lots, or while participating in school-sponsored activities is prohibited and will result in disciplinary action. If possession, use, distribution or sale occurred near district grounds, disciplinary action may include removal from any or all extracurricular activities and/or denial or forfeiture of any school honors or privileges (e.g., valedictorian, salutatorian, student body, class or club office positions, senior trip, prom, etc.). If possession, use, distribution or sale occurred on district grounds, at schoolsponsored activities or otherwise while the student was under the jurisdiction of the school, students will be subject to discipline up to and including expulsion. Denial and/or removal from any or all extracurricular activities and/or forfeiture of any school honors or privileges may also be imposed. A student may be referred to law enforcement officials. Parents will be notified of all violations involving their student and subsequent action taken by the school.

For the purpose of this policy, "tobacco products" is defined to include, but not limited to, any lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, bidi, clove cigarette, and any other smoking product, spit tobacco, also known as smokeless, dip, chew or snuff in any form. This does not include products that are USFDA-approved for sale as a tobacco cessation product or for any other therapeutic purpose, if marketed and sold solely for the approved purpose.

For the purpose of this policy, "inhalant delivery system" means a device that can be used to deliver nicotine or cannabinoids in the form of a vapor or aerosol to a person inhaling from the device; or a component of a device or a substance in any form sold for the purpose of being vaporized or aerosolized by a device, whether the component or substance is sold or not sold separately. This does not include products that are USFDA-approved for sale as a tobacco cessation product or for any other therapeutic purpose, if marketed and sold solely for the approved purpose.

A referral to community resources and/or cessation programs designed to help the student overcome tobacco product, inhalant delivery system, alcohol or unlawful drug use may also be made. The cost of such programs are the individual responsibility of the parent and the private health care system.

Clothing, bags, hats and other personal items used to display, promote or advertise tobacco products, inhalant delivery systems, alcohol or unlawful drugs are prohibited on all district grounds, including parking lots, at school-sponsored activities and in district vehicles.

Any person under age 21 possessing a tobacco product or inhalant delivery system on district property, in a district facility or while attending a district-sponsored activity is in violation of state law. Any person who distributes, sells or allows to be sold, tobacco products or any substance sold for the purpose of being smoked, vaporized or aerosolized, in any form, a tobaccoburning or inhalant delivery system device, to a person under 21 years of age is in violation of state law and is subject to a court-imposed fine.

An "unlawful drug" is any drug as defined by the Controlled Substances Act including, but not limited to, marijuana, cocaine, opiates, amphetamines and phencyclidine (PCP). As used in this policy, unlawful drug also means possession, use, sale or supply of prescription and nonprescription drugs in violation of Board policy and any accompanying administrative regulation.

Unlawful delivery of a controlled substance to a student or minor within 1,000 feet of district property is a Class A felony, as provided by ORS 475.904.

END OF POLICY

IFCI

Weapons in Schools**

Students shall not bring, possess, conceal or use a weapon on or at any property under the jurisdiction of the district, any activities under the jurisdiction of the district or any interscholastic activities administered by a voluntary organization.

In accordance with the federal Gun-Free School Zone Act, possession or discharge of a firearm in a school zone is prohibited. A "school zone," as defined by federal law, means in or on school grounds or within 1,000 feet of school grounds.

The superintendent may authorize persons to possess weapons for courses, programs and activities approved by the district and conducted on district property including, but not limited to, hunter safety courses. The district will post a notice at any site or premise off district grounds that at the time is being used exclusively for a school program or activity. The notice shall identify the district as the sponsor, the activity as a school function and that the possession of firearms or dangerous weapons in or on the site or premises is prohibited under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 166.370.

For purposes of this policy, and as defined by state and federal law, "weapon" includes:

- 1. A "dangerous weapon" means any weapon, device, instrument, material or substance, which under the circumstances in which it is used, attempted to be used or threatened to be used is readily capable of causing death or serious physical injury;
- 2. A "deadly weapon" means any instrument, article or substance specifically designed for and presently capable of causing death or serious physical injury;
- 3. A "firearm" means any weapon (including a starter gun) which will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive, frame or receiver of any such weapon, any firearm muffler or silencer or any destructive device;
- 4. A "destructive device" includes but is not limited to any explosive, incendiary or poison gas component or any combination of parts either designed or intended for use in converting any device into any destructive device or from which a destructive device may be readily assembled. A destructive device does not include any device which is designed primarily or redesigned primarily for use as a signaling, pyrotechnic, line-throwing, safety or similar device.

Weapons may also include, but are not limited to, knives, metal knuckles, straight razors, noxious or irritating gases, poisons, unlawful drugs or other items fashioned with the intent to use, sell, harm, threaten or harass students, staff members, parents and community members.

Replicas of weapons, fireworks and pocket knives are also prohibited by Board policy. Exceptions to the district's replicas prohibition may be granted only with prior principal approval for certain curriculum or school-related activities.

Prohibited weapons, replicas of weapons, fireworks and pocket knives are subject to seizure or forfeiture.

In accordance with Oregon law, any district employee who has reasonable cause to believe a student or other person, while in a school, is or within the previous 120 days has been in possession of a firearm or destructive device, as defined by this policy, shall immediately report such violation to an administrator or designee or law enforcement. Any district employee who has reasonable cause to believe that a person, while in a school, is or has been in possession of a firearm or destructive device more than 120 days previously, may report to law enforcement. Employees who report directly to law enforcement shall also immediately inform an administrator.

Administrators shall promptly notify the appropriate law enforcement agency of staff reports received and at any other time there is reasonable cause to believe violations for firearms or destructive devices have occurred or that a student has been expelled for bringing, possessing, concealing or using a dangerous or deadly weapon, firearm or destructive device.

A person making a report as described above who has reasonable grounds for making the report is immune from liability, civil or criminal, that might otherwise be incurred or imposed with respect to the making or content of the report. The identity of a person participating in a good faith report as described above may not be disclosed except when allowed by law.

Parents will be notified of all conduct by their student that violates this policy.

Employees shall promptly report all other conduct prohibited by this policy to an administrator.

Students determined to have brought, possessed, concealed or used a firearm, as defined in policy, in violation of this policy or state law shall be expelled from school for a period of not less than one year. All other violations of the policy will result in discipline and may include expulsion

and/or referral to law enforcement, as appropriate. The superintendent may, on a case-by-case basis, modify this expulsion requirement. The superintendent may propose alternative programs of instruction or instruction combined with counseling that are appropriate and accessible to the student, and shall provide such information in writing to the student and the parent in accordance with law1. Appropriate disciplinary and/or legal action will be taken against students or others who assist in activity prohibited by this policy.

Special education students shall be disciplined in accordance with federal law and Board policy JGDA – Discipline of Students with Disabilities and accompanying administrative regulation.

"Gun-Free School Zone" signs may be posted in cooperation with city and/or county officials as appropriate. Violations, unless otherwise excepted by law or this policy, shall be reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

The superintendent will annually report the name of each school and the number of students from each listed schools expelled for bringing, possessing, concealing or using a firearm to the Oregon Department of Education.

END OF POLICY

<u>IFCM</u>

Threats of Violence**

The Board is committed to promoting healthy relationships and a safe learning environment. To this end, student threats of harm to self or others, threatening behavior or acts of violence, including threats to severely damage any district property, shall not be tolerated on district property or at activities under the jurisdiction of the district.

Students shall be instructed of the responsibility to inform a teacher, counselor or administrator regarding any information or knowledge relevant to conduct prohibited by this policy. Parents and others will be encouraged to report such information to the district. Staff shall immediately notify an administrator of any threat, threatening behavior or act of violence the staff member has knowledge of, has witnessed or received. All reports will be promptly investigated.

Students found in violation of this policy shall be subject to discipline up to and including expulsion. The superintendent or designee shall notify the parent or guardian of any student in violation of this policy and the disciplinary action imposed. A referral to law enforcement shall be made for any infraction involving a student bringing, possessing, concealing or using a weapon or destructive device as prohibited by state and federal law and Board policy.

The principal shall, in determining appropriate disciplinary action, consider:

- 1. Immediately removing from the classroom setting any student who has threatened to injure another person or to severely damage district property;
- 2. Placing the student in a setting where the behavior will receive immediate attention from an administrator, counselor, licensed mental health professional or others;
- 3. Requiring the student to be evaluated by a licensed mental health professional, which may include licensed school personnel, before allowing the student to return to the classroom setting.

The district may enter into contracts with licensed mental health professionals to perform student evaluations. Funds for evaluations, other disciplinary options or other procedures as may be required by law and this policy shall be provided by the district.

The superintendent or designee shall attempt to notify:

- 1. The parent or guardian of a student when the student's name appears on a targeted list at school that threatens violence or harm to the students on the list, or when threats of violence or harm to the student are made by another student at school;
- 2. Any district employee whose name appears on a targeted list at school threatening violence or harm to the district employee.

The superintendent or designee shall attempt to notify the above persons by telephone or in person promptly and within 12 hours of discovery of a targeted list or learning of a threat. Regardless, the superintendent or designee shall issue a written follow-up notification within 24 hours of discovery of a targeted list or learning of a threat.

The principal will provide necessary information regarding threats of violence to law enforcement, child protective services and health care

professionals in connection with a health and safety emergency if knowledge of the information is necessary to protect the health and safety of the student or other individuals. Additionally, the principal may provide such information to other school officials, including teachers within the district or other districts who have a legitimate educational interest in the student(s) consistent with state and federal education records laws and district policies.

The district or person participating in good faith in making the notification required by ORS 339.327 is immune from any liability, civil or criminal, that might otherwise be incurred or imposed with respect to the making or content of the notification.

END OF POLICY

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Student Searches **

The Board seeks to ensure a learning environment which protects the health, safety and welfare of students and staff. To assist the Board in attaining these goals, district officials may, subject to the requirements below, search a student's person and property, including property assigned by the district for the student's use. Such searches may be conducted at any time on district property or when the student is under the jurisdiction of the district at school-sponsored activities.

All student searches conducted shall be subject to the following requirements:

- The district official shall have individualized, "reasonable suspicion" based upon specific and articulated facts to believe that the student personally poses or is in possession of some item that poses an immediate risk or serious harm to the student, school officials and/or others at the school;
- 2. The search shall be "reasonable in scope." That is, the measures used are reasonably related to the objectives of the search, the unique features of the official's responsibilities, and the area(s) which could contain the item(s) sought and not excessively intrusive in light of the age, sex, maturity of the student and nature of the infraction.

Routine inspections of district property assigned to students may be conducted at any time.

Use of drug-detection dogs may be used when the superintendent determines that there is a need for use of such dogs based upon reasonable information and metal detectors, or similar detections devices, may be used when the investigating school administrators determine that there is a need for such detectors based upon reasonable information.

District officials may seize any item which is evidence of a violation of law, Board policy, administrative regulation or school rule, or which the possession or use of is prohibited by such law, policy, regulation or rule.

Students may be searched by law enforcement officials on district property or when the student is under the jurisdiction of the district. Law enforcement searches ordinarily shall be based upon a warrant.

The superintendent shall develop an administrative regulation for implementing this policy in a manner which protects students' rights and provides a safe learning environment without reasonable interference. Provisions for staff, student and parent notice of the Board's policy and accompanying regulation shall be provided.

END OF POLICY

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Student Discipline

Discipline in the district is based upon a philosophy designed to produce behavioral changes that will enable students to develop the self-discipline necessary to remain in school and to function successfully in their educational and social environments.

Students are subject to discipline for conduct while traveling to and from school, at the bus stop, at school-sponsored events, while at other schools in the district and while off campus, whenever such conduct causes a substantial and material disruption of the educational environment or the invasion of rights of others.

The major objectives of the district discipline program are to teach the following fundamental concepts for living:

- 1. Understanding and respect for individual rights, dignity and safety;
- 2. Understanding and respect for the law, Board policies, administrative regulations and school rules;
- 3. Understanding of and respect for public and private property rights.

The Board seeks to ensure a school climate which is appropriate for learning and which assures the safety and welfare of personnel and students. The superintendent will develop procedures whereby those students who disrupt the educational setting or who endanger the safety of others, will be subject to disciplinary sanctions that are age appropriate, and to the extent practicable, use approaches that are shown through research to be effective to correct behavioral problems, while supporting a students' attendance to school and classes. Examples include, but are not limited to, reprimands, conferences, detention and denial of participation in cocurricular and extracurricular activities. Titles and/or privileges available to or granted to students may be denied and/or revoked (e.g., valedictorian, salutatorian, student body, class or club office positions, field trips, senior trip, prom, etc.). The superintendent may propose alternative programs of instruction or instruction combined with counseling prior to a student's expulsion or a student leaving school in accordance with law.

The district shall enforce consistently, fairly and without bias all student conduct policies, administrative regulations and school rules.

A student whose conduct or condition is seriously detrimental to the school's best interests may be suspended. Students may be expelled for any of the following circumstances: a) when a student's conduct poses a threat to the health or safety of students or employees; b) when other strategies to change the student's behavior have been ineffective, except that expulsion may not be used to address truancy; or c) when required by law. The district shall consider the age of the student and the student's past pattern of behavior prior to imposing the suspension or expulsion. The district will ensure careful consideration of the rights and needs of

the individual concerned, as well as the best interests of other students and the school program as a whole.

The use of out-of-school suspension or expulsion for discipline of a student in the fifth grade or below, is limited to:

- 1. Nonaccidental conduct causing serious physical harm to a student or employee;
- 2. When a school administrator determines, based on the administrator's observation or upon a report from an employee, the student's conduct poses a threat to the health or safety of students or employees; or
- 3. When the suspension or expulsion is required by law.

When an out-of-school suspension is imposed on a student in the fifth grade or lower, the district shall take steps to prevent the recurrence of the behavior that led to the out-of-school suspension, and return the student to a classroom setting to minimize the disruption of the student's academic instruction.

Special education students shall be disciplined in accordance with federal law and Board policy JGDA - Discipline of Students with Disabilities and accompanying administrative regulation.

Parents, students and employees shall be notified by handbook, code of conduct or other document of acceptable behavior, behavior subject to discipline and the procedures to address behavior. These procedures will include a system of consequences designed to correct student misconduct and promote acceptable behavior.

END OF POLICY

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Suspension**

The Board authorizes the administration to suspend a student for one or more of the following reasons:

- 1. Willful disobedience and violation of Board policies, administrative regulations or school rules;
- 2. Willful conduct which materially and substantially disrupts the rights of others to an education;
- 3. Willful conduct which endangers the student, other students or staff members;
- 4. Willful conduct which damages or injures district property.

A student whose conduct or condition is seriously detrimental to the school's best interests may be suspended. The district shall consider the age of the student and the student's past pattern of behavior prior to imposing the suspension. The district will ensure careful consideration of the rights and needs of the individual concerned, as well as the best interests of other students and the school program as a whole.

The use of out-of-school suspension for discipline of a student in the fifth grade or below, is limited to:

- 1. Nonaccidental conduct causing serious physical harm to a student or employee;
- 2. When a school administrator determines, based on the administrator's observation or upon a report from an employee, the student's conduct poses a threat to the health or safety of students or employees; or
- 3. When the suspension is required by law.

When an out-of-school suspension is imposed on a student in the fifth grade or lower, the district shall take steps to prevent the recurrence of the behavior that led to the out-of-school suspension, and return the student to a classroom setting to minimize the disruption of the student's academic instruction

Each notice of suspension will include a statement of the reasons for suspension, the length of the suspension, a plan for readmission and may include a plan for the student to make up school work. No suspension shall extend beyond 10 school days. Every reasonable and prompt effort must be made to notify the parents of suspended students. The district may require a student to attend school during nonschool hours as an alternative to suspension.

In emergency situations that are a result of risk to health and safety, the district may postpone the suspension notice process above until the emergency condition has passed.

Students who are suspended may not attend after-school activities and athletic events, be present on district property without a parent or participate in activities directed or sponsored by the district.

A decision by the superintendent or designee to suspend a student may be appealed to the Board through the district's complaint procedures (see Board policy KL - Public Complaints and its accompanying administrative regulations).

Students and parents are given notice of possible discipline actions resulting from student misconduct that may result in suspension in the *Student/Parent Handbook* made available by the district.

END OF POLICY

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Expulsion**

A principal, after reviewing available information, may recommend to the superintendent that a student be expelled. Expulsion of a student shall not extend beyond one calendar year.

A student may be expelled for any of the following circumstances:

- 1. When a student's conduct posed a threat to the health or safety of students or employees;
- 2. When other strategies to change the student's behavior have been ineffective, except that expulsion may not be used to address truancy; or
- 3. When required by law.

The use of expulsion for discipline of a student in the fifth grade or below, is limited to:

- 1. Nonaccidental conduct causing serious physical harm to a student or employee;
- 2. When a school administrator determines, based on the administrator's observation or upon a report from an employee, the student's conduct poses a threat to the health or safety of students or employees; or
- 3. When the expulsion is required by law.

The age of a student and the past pattern of behavior will be considered prior to imposing the expulsion.

No student may be expelled without a hearing unless the student's parents, or if the student is 18 years of age, waive the right to a hearing, either in writing or by failure to appear at a scheduled hearing. By waiving the right to a hearing, the student and parent agree to abide by the findings of a hearings officer.

When an expulsion is not waived, the following procedure is required:

- Notice will be given to the student and the parent by personal service or by certified mail at least five days prior to the scheduled hearing. Notice shall include:
 - a. The specific charge or charges;
 - b. The conduct constituting the alleged violation, including the nature of the evidence of the violation and reason for expulsion;
 - c. A recommendation for expulsion;
 - d. The student's right to a hearing;
 - e. When and where the hearing will take place; and
 - f. The right to representation.
- 2. The Board may expel, or may delegate the authority to decide on an expulsion to the superintendent or superintendent's designee, who may also act as the hearings officer. The district may contract with an individual who is not employed by the district to serve as the hearings officer. The hearings officer designated by the Board will conduct the hearing and will not be associated with the initial actions of the building administrators;
- 3. Expulsion hearings will be conducted in private and will not be open to the general public unless the student or the student's parents request an open session;

- 4. In case the parent or student has difficulty understanding the English language or has other serious communication disabilities, the district will provide a translator;
- 5. The student shall be permitted to have representation present at the hearing to advise and to present arguments. The representation may be an attorney and/or parent. The district's attorney may be present;
- 6. The student shall be afforded the right to present their version of the events underlying the expulsion recommendation and to introduce evidence by testimony, writings or other exhibits;
- 7. The student shall be permitted to be present and to hear the evidence presented by the district;
- 8. The hearings officer or the student may record the hearing;
- 9. Strict rules of evidence shall not apply to the proceedings. However, this shall not limit the hearings officer's control of the hearing;
- 10. If the Board is conducting the expulsion hearing, the Board may designate the Board chair or a third party as the hearings officer. The hearings officer will determine the facts of each case on the evidence presented at the hearing. Evidence may include the relevant past history and student education records. The hearings officer will provide to the Board, findings as to the facts, the recommended decision and whether or not the student has committed the alleged conduct. This will include the hearings officer's recommended decision on disciplinary action, if any, including the duration of any expulsion. This material will be available in identical form to the Board, the student if age 18 or over and the students' parents at the same time. Following the review by the Board of the hearings officer's recommendation, the Board will make the final decision regarding the expulsion;
- 11. If the Board has delegated authority to the superintendent or designee to act as the hearings officer, the superintendent may designate themself, or a third party, as the hearings officer. The hearings officer's decision is final. However, a decision of the hearings officer may be appealed by the parent or the student if age 18 or over to the Board for review. If the decision of the hearings officer is appealed to the Board for review, the findings as to the facts and the hearings officer's decision will be submitted to the Board, and will be available in identical form to the Board, the student and the student's parents at the same time. At its next regular or special meeting the Board will review the hearings officer's decision and will affirm, modify or reverse the decision;
- 12. A Board review of the hearings officer's decision will be conducted in executive session unless the student or the student's parent requests

a public hearing. If an executive session is held by the Board or a private hearing is held by the hearings officer, the following will not be made public:

- a. The name of the minor student:
- b. The issues involved, including a student's confidential records;
- c. The discussion;
- d. The vote of Board members, which may be taken in executive session when considering an expulsion.

Prior to expulsion, the district must propose alternative programs of instruction or instruction combined with counseling to a student subject to expulsion for reasons other than a weapons policy violation. The district must document to the parent of the student that proposals of alternative education programs have been made.

END OF POLICY

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Expulsion Order Appeal

Any student subject to an order of expulsion may appeal the order to the School Board. All expulsion orders shall contain a notice that a request to appeal the order must be submitted, in writing, to the Superintendent within ten (10) days of the date the order is issued.

Upon receipt of the request for an appeal of the expulsion order, the Superintendent shall set a time and place for the appeal hearing and notify the School Board, the student and the student's parents or guardians.

At least three (3) days prior to the time set for the hearing, the Superintendent shall deliver to the School Board, student, and the student's parents or guardians, a copy of the hearings officer's decision and the expulsion hearing record. If the decision is appealed to the School Board for review, the School Board shall be provided findings as to the facts and the decision of the hearings officer. The record established by the hearings officer is the only record to be reviewed on appeal. No additional

testimony or evidence shall be received or reviewed by the School Board on appeal except with regard to sanction, and the parties shall be so informed when a copy of the record is delivered.

The standard of review on appeal shall be whether: a) The hearings officer's decision is supported by substantial evidence; b) The hearings officer's conclusions flow logically from the findings of fact.

The hearings officer's decision to impose an expulsion is reviewable on appeal. Parties may present evidence and arguments relevant to the severity of the sanction imposed, but shall not repeat arguments and evidence already in the record. The School Board shall use its judgement to determine whether expulsion is the appropriate penalty based on the facts and the law.

At the hearing, the student and/or the student's parents or guardians shall first present their argument for overturning the expulsion order and the administration shall then be given the opportunity to argue why the order should be sustained. The School Board shall make inquiries of either party regarding their arguments. At the conclusion of the arguments, the School Board will excuse the parties and deliberate. After deliberating, the School Board will recall the parties and announce its decision. The School Board shall either sustain, overturn the order, or remand the order to the hearings officer to reconsider his/her decision in light of the School Board's decision, or impose a penalty less severe than expulsion.



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