

STUDENT CONDUCT EXPECTATIONS AND REASONABLE SANCTIONS

The Board acknowledges that student conduct and behavior are closely associated with learning. An effective instructional program requires a wholesome and orderly school environment. The Board therefore requires that each student adhere to the rules of conduct established by the District and its various schools and programs and submit to discipline taken as a result of conduct violations.

Students are expected to:

1. Respect the rights, person, and property of others;
2. Pursue the required course of study;
3. Preserve the degree of order necessary for a positive climate for learning;
4. Comply with District rules and regulations; and
5. Respect the authority of staff and reasonable discipline imposed by school employees and respond accordingly.

Students who involve themselves in acts that have a detrimental effect on the maintenance and operation of the school or the District, criminal acts, and/or violations of District rules and regulations may be subject to discipline by the District and prosecution under the law.

The superintendent or designee will develop reasonable rules of student conduct (see Procedure 3240P) for the preservation of the health and safety of students and employees and the preservation of an educational process that is conducive to learning. Such rules will state with reasonable clarity the types of misconduct for which discipline, including suspension and expulsion, may be imposed.

In accordance with state law, the student conduct rules adopted by the District will be interpreted to ensure that the optimum learning environment of the classroom is maintained, and that the highest consideration is given to the judgment of qualified certificated educators regarding the conditions necessary to maintain the optimum learning environment.

Student conduct rules will be enforced by school officials:

1. On school grounds during and immediately before or immediately after school hours;
2. On school grounds at any other time, including when school is being used by a school group(s) or for a school activity;
3. Off school grounds at a school activity, function, or event;
4. Off school grounds if the actions of the student materially or substantially affect or interfere with the educational process; or
5. Upon school-provided transportation, designated District bus stops, or any other place while under the authority of school personnel.

In addition to the rules established in Procedure 3240P, schools may develop and implement site-specific rules for student conduct (examples include establishing off-limits areas, prohibiting food on carpet, etc.). Such rules must be consistent with the District's student conduct rules.

The superintendent or designee will make the District's policies and procedures regarding student conduct rules and student discipline available to students, parents/guardians, employees, and the community. The District will annually provide policies/procedures 3240 and 3241 to District personnel, students, and parents/guardians, which may require language assistance for students and parents/guardians with limited-English proficiency.

The superintendent or designee will ensure that employees and contractors are knowledgeable about the District's discipline policies and procedures.

The District will develop and periodically review its discipline policies and procedures with the participation of school personnel, students, parents, families, and the community. During the development and review of discipline policies and procedures, the District will use disaggregated data collected under RCW 28A.300.042 to monitor the impact of the District's discipline policies, procedures, and practices and to update such policies and procedures to improve fairness and equity in the administration of discipline.

The principal and certificated employees in each school building will confer at least annually for the purpose of developing and/or reviewing building disciplinary standards and the uniform enforcement of those standards, in accordance with RCW 28A.400.110.

The superintendent or designee will develop procedures necessary to implement this policy.

Cross References:	Board Policy 2151	Interscholastic Activities
	Board Policy 2161	Special Education and Related Services for Eligible Students
	Board Policy 2162	Education of Students with Disabilities under Section 504
	Board Policy 3122	Excused and Unexcused Absences
	Board Policy 3205	Sexual Harassment of Students Prohibited
	Board Policy 3207	Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying
	Board Policy 3210	Nondiscrimination
	Board Policy 3220	Freedom of Expression
	Board Policy 3224	Student Dress
	Board Policy 3230	Student Privacy and Searches
	Board Policy 3241	Discipline for Student Misconduct
	Board Policy 3225	Personally Owned Telecommunication and Electronic Devices
	Board Policy 3246	Use of Reasonable Force
	Board Policy 4210	Regulation of Dangerous Weapons on School Premises
	Board Policy 4215	Tobacco Use

Legal References:	RCW 28A.210.310	Prohibition on use of tobacco products on school property
	RCW 28A.320.128	Notice and disclosure policies—Threats of violence—Student conduct—Immunity for good faith notice—Penalty
	RCW 28A.400.110	Principal to assure appropriate student discipline—Building discipline standards—Classes to improve classroom management skills
	RCW 28A.600.015	Expulsions and suspensions—Rules incorporating due process—Short-term and long-term suspensions Emergency expulsions—Discretionary discipline
	RCW 28A.600.020	Exclusion of student from classroom—Written disciplinary procedures—Long-term suspension or expulsion
	RCW 28A.600.022	Suspended or expelled students—Reengagement plan
	RCW 28A.600.040	Pupils to comply with rules and regulations
	RCW 28A.635.060	Defacing or injuring school property—Liability of pupil, parent, or guardian—Withholding grades, diploma, or transcripts—Suspension and restitution—Voluntary work program as alternative—Rights protected
	RCW 28A.635.090	Interference by force or violence—Penalty
	RCW 28A.635.100	Intimidating any administrator, teacher, classified employee, or student by threat of force or violence unlawful—Penalty
	RCW 4.24.190	Action against parent for willful injury to person or property by minor—Monetary limitation—Common law liability preserved
	RCW 9.41	Firearms and dangerous weapons
	RCW 9.91.160	Personal protection spray devices
	RCW 9A.16.020	Use of force — When lawful
	20 U.S.C. § 7101 <i>et seq.</i>	Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act
	Chapter 392-400 WAC	Student Discipline