Student Conduct

It is the intention of the Board of Education that the district's schools help students achieve maximum development of individual knowledge, skills and competence and that they learn behavior patterns that will enable them to be responsible, contributing members of society.

The Board in accordance with state law shall adopt a written student conduct and discipline code based upon the principle that every student is expected to follow accepted rules of conduct and to show respect for and to obey persons in authority. The code shall emphasize that certain behavior, especially behavior that disrupts the classroom, is unacceptable and may result in disciplinary action. The code shall emphasize proportionate disciplinary interventions and consequences and keeping students engaged in learning. The code shall be enforced uniformly, fairly and consistently for all students.

The Board shall consult with parents/guardians, students, teachers, administrators and other community members in the development of the conduct and discipline code.

The rules shall not infringe upon constitutionally protected rights, shall be clearly and specifically described, shall be printed in a handbook or some other publication made available to students and parents/guardians, and shall have an effective date subsequent to the dissemination of the published handbook.

The superintendent shall arrange to have the conduct and discipline code distributed once to each student in elementary, middle, junior high and high school and once to each new student in the district. The superintendent shall ensure reasonable measures are taken to ensure each student is familiar with the code. Copies shall be posted or kept on file in each school of the district. In addition, any significant change in the code shall be distributed to each student and posted in each school.

In all instances, students shall be expected to conduct themselves in keeping with their level of maturity, acting with due regard for the supervisory authority vested by the Board in all district employees, the educational purpose underlying all school activities, the widely shared use of school property, and the rights and welfare of other students. All employees of the district shall be expected to share the responsibility for supervising the behavior of students and for seeing that they abide by the established rules of conduct.

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- LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (2) (policy required as part of safe schools plan) C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (2)(a) (school district shall take reasonable measures to familiarize students with the conduct and discipline code) C.R.S. 22-33-106 (1)(a-g) (grounds for suspension, expulsion and denial of admission)
- CROSS REFS.: GBGB, Staff Personal Security and Safety JIC subcodes (all pertain to student conduct) JK, Student Discipline, and subcodes

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