

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Students are expected to conduct themselves as ladies and gentlemen at all times and shall adhere to all rules, regulations, and policies formulated by the Administration and the Board as set forth in District Policy and applicable student handbook. Students shall at all times respect the rights of fellow students and of District personnel and shall not provoke any other individual or inflict physical harm upon another, except in self-defense. Courtesy and good manners should be the key to a student's conduct at school. A good attitude towards teachers, staff, and fellow students will make school enjoyable for all. Students shall respect District property and the property of others and may be required to pay for damages intentionally inflicted on District property or the property of others.

Students who engage in conduct or activities which are prohibited by this policy may be subjected to disciplinary action up to and including suspension from school. The disciplinary action taken shall depend upon the nature and severity of the violation and the student's past record of violations, if any. While students are (a) in attendance at school or any function authorized or sponsored by District; (b) in transit to or from school or any function authorized or sponsored by District; or (c) on any property subject to the control and authority of District, students are prohibited from engaging in the following conduct or activities:

1. Smoking, using, and/or possessing tobacco or vapor products as defined in Policy BB;
2. Using, consuming, possessing, or being under the influence of, selling, transferring, distributing, or bartering any alcoholic beverage or low-point beer as defined by state law;
3. Using, consuming, possessing, or being under the influence of, selling, transferring, distributing, or bartering any narcotic drug, stimulant, barbiturate, depressant, hallucinogenic, opiate, inhalant, counterfeit drug, or any other controlled dangerous substance as defined by federal or state law or regulation including any substance which is capable of being ingested, inhaled, or absorbed into the body and affecting the central nervous system, vision, hearing, or other sensory or motor function.
4. Using, possessing, selling, transferring, distributing, or bartering any drug paraphernalia;
5. Use of a wireless telecommunication device in a way contrary to Policy BJ or to Administrative Regulation BJ-R.

6. Possessing, using, transferring possession of, or aiding, accompanying, or assisting another student to use any type of weapon, which term includes but is not limited to: guns; rifles; pistols; shotguns; ammunition; any device which throws, discharges, or fires objects, bullets, or shells; knives; explosive or incendiary devices, including fireworks; hand chains; metal knuckles; or any object that is used as a weapon or dangerous instrument, and any facsimile weapon, including B-B guns;
7. Disobeying, showing disrespect for, defying the authority of, or being insubordinate to a teacher, administrator, or other District employee, including bus drivers, secretaries, custodians, and cafeteria workers;
8. Leaving school grounds or activities at unauthorized times without permission; or loitering in parking areas or between school and town during school hours or activities;
9. Refusing to identify or falsely identifying one's self to District personnel;
10. Entering, without authority, into classrooms or other restricted school premises;
11. Engaging in conduct which endangers or jeopardizes the safety of other persons;
12. Engaging in bullying which is defined as any pattern of harassment, intimidation, threatening behavior, physical acts, verbal or electronic communication directed toward a student or group of students that results in or is reasonably perceived as being done with the intent to cause negative educational or physical results and is communicated in such a way as to disrupt or interfere with the school's educational mission or the education of any student;
13. Engaging in threatening behavior which is defined as any pattern of behavior or isolated action, whether or not it is directed at another person, that a reasonable person would believe indicates potential for future harm to students, school personnel, or school property;
14. Using profanity, vulgar language or expressions, or obscene gestures;
15. Committing acts of sexual harassment as defined by District Policy or sexual assaults;
16. Assaulting, battering, inflicting bodily injury on, or fighting with another person;
17. Creating or attempting to create a classroom disturbance, acting in a disorderly manner, inappropriate displays of affection, disturbing the peace, or inciting,

- encouraging, prompting, or participating in attempts to interfere with or disrupt the normal educational process;
18. Showing disrespect, damaging, vandalizing, cutting, defacing, or destroying any real or personal property belonging to District or any other person;
 19. Engaging in extortion, theft, arson, gambling, immoral behavior, forgery, possession of stolen property, and cheating; and
 20. Refusing to do required assignments, refusing to go to assemblies directly from class, leaving class before being dismissed, being out of class during class period, failure to take books and supplies to class, passing notes in class, chewing gum or candy in class, and any behavior in class that interferes with the learning of others.
 21. Violating District's policies, Administrative Regulations, Student Handbook provisions, rules, practices, or state law.
 22. Immorality at school or school activity, use of foul language or obscene gestures at school or school activity, public displays of affection, or showing poor sportsmanship at activities.
 23. Running or being excessively noisy in hallway, lunchroom misconduct, bringing any audio, radio or tv appliance to school without permission.
 24. Not parking in assigned parking areas, reckless driving on campus or any street adjacent to campus at any time.
 25. Violating District's policies, Administrative Regulations, Student Handbook provisions, rules, practices, or state law.
 26. Engaging in the original or relayed transmission of obscene material or child pornography which includes but is not limited to the uncovered genitals, buttocks, or female breasts of persons under the age of 18, via electronic media in the form of digital images, videos, or other electronic images. This provision applies to those students that originate the transmission as well as those students who distribute or post it in any manner other than to submit it to appropriate school or law enforcement authorities. School officials will provide all such material to appropriate law enforcement authorities.
 27. Engaging in any form of hazing. Hazing is an activity that recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental health or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of initiation or admission into or affiliation with any organization sanctioned or authorized by the board of education. Hazing is prohibited by Oklahoma law.

Any student conduct or activity which does not a) occur on school property, b) while the student is in transit to or from school or a school function, or c) on any property subject to the control and authority of District shall be prohibited if such conduct or activity is: a) a continuation of activity which began on school property, b) adversely affects or poses a threat to the physical or emotional safety and well-being of other students, employees, or school property, c) any form of communication specifically directed at students or school personnel which is considered to be bullying or threatening behavior, or d) disrupts school operations.

In addition to disciplinary actions, District, acting through the Superintendent or a principal, may refer matters to local law enforcement for investigation and prosecution and may pursue criminal complaints and/or charges when a student's actions are criminal in nature.

District will provide instruction and guidance to students and employees with respect to prevention and prohibition of improper conduct, including harassment and bullying, during the course of each year. To the extent feasible, District will implement suggestions of the Safe School Committee(s) in providing this instruction.

Additional Procedures Related to Bullying: It is District's policy that bullying of students by other students, personnel, or the public will not be tolerated. Students are expected to be civil, polite, and fully engaged in the learning process. Students who act inappropriately are not fully engaged in the learning process. This policy is in effect while the students are on school grounds, in school vehicles, at designated bus stops, at school-sponsored activities, or at school-sanctioned events, and while away from school grounds if the misconduct directly affects the good order, efficient management, and welfare of the District. The Administration will develop and implement appropriate regulations regarding bullying.

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