STUDENT DISCIPLINE OUT-OF-SCHOOL ACTIONS

The Board recognizes that out-of-school and off-campus student conduct is not normally the concern of the Board. However, the Board also recognizes that some out-of-school and off-campus conduct may have an adverse effect upon the school, school property, or school staff.

Therefore, it shall be the policy of this Board that the Board or school administrators may impose disciplinary measures against students for some out-of-school or off-campus conduct.

Discipline may be imposed if such out-of-school conduct causes a significant disruption or substantial interference with the school's educational mission, purpose, or objectives. Additionally, any off-campus or out-of-school behavior that has a strong potential to disrupt normal school operations may also be met with appropriate disciplinary actions.

Out-of-school and off-campus student conduct that may subject a student to discipline includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. Damaging school property;
- 2. Violence at or near the school's bus stop, either before or after the school day;

3. Drinking alcohol, using tobacco products, or using illegal drugs at or near the school bus stop, either before or after the school day;

4. Damaging the private property of school staff or employees; or

5. Any other activity the Board or administration determines impedes the general welfare of scholastic activities.

Cyber-Bullying and Internet Threats

Reports and/or allegations of cyberbullying will be addressed in accordance with the provisions of Board policy JICK.

Consistent with applicable law, the District will not require or request that a student disclose or provide to the District the student's username, password or other authenticating information to a student's personal social media account.

However, the District may request to a student or a student's parent/guardian that the student voluntarily share printed copies of specific information from a student's personal social media account if such information is relevant to an ongoing District investigation.

The School Board recognizes that out-of-school conduct of students attending schools within this District are not normally a concern of the Board. However, the Board believes that disciplinary action is proper for conduct occurring off school property and not involving a school activity if the conduct has an adverse effect upon the school.

Therefore, it is the policy of this Board that any student attending schools within this District will be subject to disciplinary action including, but not limited to, suspension from school for any conduct that, in the opinion of the school administrators, has an adverse impact upon the schools.

Such activity includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Damaging school property, e.g., a school bus

- Engaging in activity that causes physical or emotional harm to other students, teachers, or other school personnel

- Engaging in activity that directly impedes discipline at school or the general welfare of school activities.

Statutory References

RSA 189:70 Educational Institution Policies on Social Media

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