

**DISCIPLINE**

The Board of Trustees desires to prepare youth for responsible citizenship by fostering self-discipline and personal responsibility. The Board perceives that good planning, a good understanding of each child, and parent involvement can minimize the need for discipline. Teachers shall use positive conflict resolution techniques and avoid unnecessary confrontations. When misconduct occurs, staff shall make every effort to identify and correct the causes of the student's behavior.

Board policies and regulations shall delineate acceptable student conduct and provide the basis for sound disciplinary practices. Each school shall develop disciplinary rules in accordance with law to meet the school's individual needs.

Staff shall enforce disciplinary rules fairly and consistently, without regard to race, creed, color or sex.

In order to maintain safe and orderly environments, the Board shall give employees all reasonable support with respect to student discipline. If a disciplinary strategy is ineffective, another strategy shall be employed. Continually disruptive students may be assigned to alternative programs or removed from school.

(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)

(cf. 5131 - Conduct)

(cf. 5142 - Safety)

(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

(cf. 6159.4 - Behavioral Interventions for Special Education Students)

(cf. 6164.5 - Student Study Teams)

*Legal Reference:*EDUCATION CODE

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**DISCIPLINE****Site-Level Rules**

Rules for student discipline shall be developed at each school site and filed with the District office. These rules shall be adopted jointly by the principal or designee and a representative selected by classroom teachers employed at the school. The views of administrators, teachers, security personnel, parents/guardians and secondary school students shall be obtained when the rules are developed. The rules shall be consistent with law, Board of Trustees policy and District regulations; they shall be revised as necessary and shall undergo the site-level review and adoption process at least every four years. (Education Code 35291.5)

All avenues of discipline provided in policy, regulation and law may be used in developing site-level rules. These include but are not limited to advising and counseling students, conferring with parents/guardians, detention during and after school hours, and the use of alternative educational environments, suspension and expulsion.

**Corporal Punishment**

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student. Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of, or willfully causing the infliction of, physical pain on a student. (Education Code 49000, 49001)

For purposes of this policy, corporal punishment does not include an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect the employee, students, staff or other persons or to prevent damage to District property. (Education Code 49001)

**Community Service**

Except when suspension or expulsion is required by law, the Superintendent, principal or principal's designee, at his/her discretion, may require a student to perform community service on school grounds during nonschool hours instead of imposing other disciplinary action. Such service may include, but is not limited to, outdoor beautification, campus betterment, and teacher or peer assistance programs. (Education Code 48900.6)

**Detention After School**

Students may be detained for up to one hour after the close of the maximum school day under the following conditions:

1. A student who is not transported by school bus shall be detained only after his/her parent/guardian has been notified of the day and amount of time involved.

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2. The student shall remain under the supervision of a certificated employee during the period of detention.

Students may be offered the choice of serving their detention on Saturday rather than after school.

*(cf. 6176 - Weekend/Saturday Classes)*

**Notice to Parents/Guardians and Students**

The principal of each school shall ensure that students and parents/guardians are notified in writing of all Board policies, administrative regulations and individual school rules related to discipline at the beginning of each school year. Transfer students and their parents/guardians shall be so advised upon enrollment.

The notice shall state that these rules and regulations are available on request at the principal's office in all District schools.

*(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)*

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