

## **STUDENT DISCIPLINE**

Students in the district are expected to act in such fashion that their behavior will reflect favorably on the individual student and on the school; will show consideration for fellow students; and will create a harmonious school atmosphere.

Accordingly, the board extends to all of its school employees, professional and nonprofessional, as well as to bus drivers employed by the bus contractor, the authority to enforce policy and regulations governing student behavior. Students will comply with the directions given them by staff members.

Principals, in consultation with teachers, will develop specific discipline procedures for their administrative units, subject to approval by the superintendent and review by the board.

The following are guidelines established by the board for discipline:

1. Discipline procedures should be both firm and fair.
2. Insofar as possible, a school's discipline plan should outline specific actions to be taken for specific offenses. At the same time, the plan should allow the principal the flexibility to react appropriately to unusual circumstances.
3. While specific sanctions are to be determined by the principal, the board supports the use of before-school and after-school detentions, Friday detention, in-school suspensions, time-out programs, and out-of-school suspensions.

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