Students

Conduct at School and Activities

Areas of Responsibility for Student Conduct and School Discipline

Although the ultimate goal of all student discipline is cultivation, or development of appropriate self discipline in each student, direct staff responsibilities in pursuit of that goal include:

1. **Certified staff.** Teachers, administrators, and other certified staff are responsible for the proper conduct and control of students while they are under the supervision and jurisdiction of the particular school and the school district.
2. **Principal.** Principals may implement necessary procedures and school rules and regulations on student behavior consistent with Board of Education policies. Principals may involve representatives from school personnel, students, parents, and citizens of the community in developing standards, specific rules and regulations, and procedures for student conduct at school and in out of school activities.
3. **Teachers.** Teachers are responsible for proper and adequate control of students and for student instruction on rules and regulations of proper conduct. Teacher responsibility and authority extends to all students of the school district under the assigned supervision of the teacher and to other students with whom the teacher comes into contact throughout his or her work day.
4. **Support Staff.** Instructional and other aides, custodians, secretaries and clerks, cafeteria employees, bus drivers, and other non-certified staff are responsible for appropriate reporting of inappropriate student behavior and actions to teachers and administrators and for intervention and necessary action in the absence of certified staff to preserve personal safety of other students, staff, and to safeguard school district property.
5. **Parents.** Parents are expected to cooperate with and to support school authorities on the behavior and discipline of their children. Parents shall be held responsible for willful misbehavior of their children and for any destructive acts on school property.

Student Behavior

Students shall be properly instructed in rules and regulations of acceptable conduct and are responsible for understanding and complying with school and school district standards of behavior. Any student who fails to comply with these rules and regulations concerning student behavior is liable to suspension, exclusion, or expulsion.

Publication to Parents/Guardians of Behavior Code

The Superintendent of Schools shall, at the beginning of each school year, notify parents/guardians of district policies, and regulations on student discipline and shall insure that Principals in each school communicate these policies and regulations to students at the beginning of each school year — and to transfer students at the time of their enrollment in the school.

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(cf. 5114 Suspension/Expulsion/Exclusion/Removal)
(cf. 5131.5 Vandalism)

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

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