

## STUDENT CONDUCT

The aims of all school disciplinary rules and supervision are:

- (1) to encourage the student to take responsibility for his or her own actions; and
  - (2) to increase the student's self-discipline.
1. Students are expected to conduct themselves appropriately at all times, in keeping with their level of maturity. Respect for authority vested in school employees, regard for public property, and consideration of the rights and welfare of other students should govern student behavior.
  2. Inappropriate behavior of students, such as but not limited to; fighting, swearing, stealing, vandalism, distributing, dispensing, manufacturing, using, being under the influence of or possessing tobacco, e-cigarettes or vaping, illicit drugs, alcoholic beverages, controlled substances, inhalants or look-a-like substances that appear to be tobacco, beer, wine, alcohol or controlled substances or possessing any weapons, dangerous objects or look-a-likes on the school grounds or at any school activity, will result in immediate disciplinary action.
  3. Stealing, vandalism, possession of weapons, or dangerous objects or look-a-likes, or illegal use or possession of drugs, tobacco, or alcoholic beverages or look-a-likes is unlawful and may be referred to the Polk County Sheriff's Office. A cooperative effort with the student, parent/guardian, sheriff's office, and principal will result in an attempt to correct the situation.
  4. All students are responsible for leaving the school buildings and equipment in the same condition as when such facilities were made available to them, except for reasonable wear with proper use. Students will be held responsible for any damage to the school properties and fines or cost of repair will be assessed when necessary. Actions from law enforcement may occur.
  5. Inappropriate contact such as but not limited to: wrestling, shoving, grabbing, embracing, kissing, fondling by students, or other acts of a similar nature, are not acceptable behavior at school, on school transportation, or at school events. Such conduct may result in disciplinary measures, including suspension or expulsion.

All employees of the district share the responsibility for seeing that student behavior meets standards of conduct that are conducive to learning.

Cross Reference:       500     Objectives for Equal Educational Opportunities for Students  
                              502.2   Care of School Property/Vandalism  
                              502.7   Smoking, Drinking and Drugs

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