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The Board of Education expects pupils to conduct themselves in keeping with their level of maturity, with a proper regard for the rights and welfare of other pupils, for the educational purpose underlying all school activities, and for the care of school facilities and equipment.

Standards of pupil behavior should be set cooperatively by interaction among the pupils, parents/guardians/significant others, staff and community, producing an atmosphere which encourages pupils to grow in self-discipline. Such an atmosphere must include respect for self and others, as well as for district and community property.

The best discipline is self-imposed, and pupils must learn to assume and accept responsibility for their own behavior, and for the consequences of their misbehavior. Staff members who interact with pupils will use preventive disciplinary action and place emphasis on the pupils' ability to grow in self-discipline.

The Superintendent will develop general guidelines for pupil conduct on school property and will direct development of detailed regulations suited to the age level of the pupils and the physical facilities of the individual schools. These detailed regulations will be distributed to parents/guardians/significant others at the beginning of each school year. Provisions will be made for informing parents/guardians/significant others whose primary language is other than English.

The district will make provisions for identifying disruptive pupils and providing them with an educational program and services. Documentation of these provisions will be a written description of the identification process, the results of needs assessment, including out-of-school suspension and expulsion rates, and the year-end violence and vandalism report. If the district Board of Education deems the implementation of an improvement program as necessary for disruptive pupils, a written description will be made available as documentation of the district program.

The Board will review all related policies on a regular basis.



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Rules for student conduct must be reasonable, fair, and directed to the development of a productive educational atmosphere. The degree of cooperative efforts of administration, staff, and students in the development of standards of conduct should be appropriate to the grade level.

Each Principal will work out particular rules and regulations with his/her professional staff through a building committee consisting of three association-appointed members and three representatives of the administration. This committee will report to the staff any changes or additions to the disciplinary procedure.

Rules for student dining activities should be supportive of the informal, relaxed, and refreshing atmosphere desirable for these times in students' daily schedules.

The Superintendent will review all building disciplinary procedures for appropriateness and consistency between buildings.

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