## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

## STUDENTS IN THIRD GRADE AND HIGHER GRADE LEVELS

The Principal may suspend or recommend expulsion of a student in third grade or higher grade levels who engages in one or more of the following specific activities while in school buildings, on school grounds, in school vehicles, or during school sponsored activities. Suspension or expulsion shall be mandatory for serious violations in a school building or on school property.

- 1. Causing or attempting to cause damage to school property or stealing or attempting to steal school property of value.
- 2. Causing or attempting to cause damage to private property or stealing or attempting to steal private property.
- 3. Causing or attempting to cause physical injury to another person except in self-defense.
- 4. Commission of any act which if committed by an adult would be robbery or assault defined by state law.
- 5. Violation of criminal law.
- 6. Violation of District or building regulations.
- 7. Violation of the District's policy on dangerous weapons in the schools. Expulsion shall be mandatory for knowingly possessing a firearm in accordance with federal law. (Reference: **GFSZA**, codified at 18 U.S.C. § 922(q))
- 8. Violation of the District's alcohol use/drug abuse policy.
- 9. Violation of the District's smoking and use of tobacco policy.
- 10. Throwing objects outside of supervised school activities that can cause bodily injury or damage property.
- 11. Directing profanity, vulgar language or obscene gestures toward other students, school personnel or visitors to the school.
- 12. Engaging in verbal abuse, i.e., name calling, ethnic or racial slurs, or derogatory statements addressed publicly to others to precipitate disruption of the school program or incite violence.
- 13. Committing extortion, coercion, or blackmail, i.e., obtaining money or other objects of value from an unwilling person or forcing an individual to act through the use of force or threat of force.
- 14. Lying or giving false information, either verbally or in writing, to a school employee.
- 15. Scholastic dishonesty which includes but is not limited to cheating on a test, plagiarism or unauthorized collaboration with another person in preparing written work.
- 16. Continued willful disobedience or open and persistent defiance of proper authority.
- 17. Behavior at a school sponsored activity or off school property which is detrimental to the welfare, safety or moral of other students or school personnel.
- 18. Repeated interference with the school's ability to provide educational opportunities to other students.

## STUDENTS IN PRE-SCHOOL THROUGH SECOND GRADE

In accordance with applicable law and Board policy concerning student suspensions, expulsions, and other disciplinary interventions, the principal or designee may suspend or recommend expulsion of a student in preschool, kindergarten, first grade, or second grade who engages in one or more of the following activities while on district property, in a school building, in a district or school vehicle, at a district or school activity or event, or off district property when the conduct has a nexus to school or any district curricular or non-curricular event:

- 1. Violation of the Board's policy on weapons in the schools. Expulsion shall be mandatory for bringing or possessing a firearm, in accordance with federal law.
- 2. Violation of the Board's policy on student conduct involving drugs and alcohol.
- 3. Conduct that endangers the health or safety of others.

Each Principal shall post a copy of these rules in a prominent place in each school and shall distribute a copy to each student. Copies also shall be available to any patron of the District upon request.

LEGAL REFS.: CRS 22-32-302 (7)

CRS 18-3-202 et seq. CRS 18-4-301 et seq. CRS 22-32-109.1(2)(a)(l) CRS 22-32-109.1 (q)

CRS 22-33-106 (l) (a-e) (a-g)

C.R.S. 22-33-106.1 (suspension and expulsion for students in

preschool through second grade)

CROSS REFS.; AC, Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity

ADC, Tobacco-Free Schools

ADD, Safe Schools ECAC, Vandalism

GBGB, Staff Personal Security and Safety

JBB\*, Sexual Harassment JIC, Student Conduct JICA, Student Dress Code

JICC, Student Conduct in School Vehicles JICDD\*, Violent and Aggressive Behavior JICDE\*, Bullying Prevention and Education

JICF, Secret Society/Gang Activity JICH, Drug and Alcohol Use by Students

JICI, Weapons in School JK, Student Discipline

JKD/JKE, Suspension/Expulsion of Students

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