

Billings School District 2

STUDENTS

Student Discipline: Consequences for Violations of Student Code of Conduct

The Board grants authority to a teacher or principal to hold a student to strict accountability for conduct:

1. In school;
2. On, or within sight of, school grounds before, during, or after school hours;
3. At a school function or activity;
4. On the way to or from school, school functions or activities;
5. During intermission or recess;
6. Out of school conduct as defined below; or
7. At school functions and activities.

The Board grants authority to a building administrator to impose on students under their charge any disciplinary measure, other than expulsion or corporal punishment, that is appropriate and in accordance with policies, procedures, rules, and handbooks on student discipline. The Board authorizes teachers/adult supervisors of students to implement their classroom disciplinary interventions or remove students from classrooms with a referral to the building administrator for disruptive behavior.

Out-of-school conduct which is recognized to be within the jurisdiction of the school includes acts which:

1. Tend to demoralize other students in the school;
2. Are detrimental to the overall good order and best interests of the school;
3. Produce a negative effect on the discipline, function, or general welfare of the school;
4. Adversely impact the physical or emotional safety and/or the care for and wellbeing of the school's students, staff, or property; or
5. Anywhere conduct may reasonably be considered to be a threat or an attempted intimidation of a student or staff member or an interference with school purposes or any educational function.

Disciplinary Measures

This District may assign consequences to any student for disobedience or misconduct. For the purpose of this Policy, "disobedience or misconduct" means a student's failure to obey or a student's improper behavior, including without limitation violation of school policies, procedures, rules and handbooks, laws and regulations, applicable to schools, and any behavior damaging to the school environment.

Disciplinary measures include, but are not limited to:

1. Expulsion;
2. Suspension;
3. Detention, including Saturdays;
4. School community service;
5. Loss of student privileges;
6. Loss of bus privileges;
7. Notification to juvenile authorities and/or police; and
8. Restitution for damages to school property.

No District employee or person engaged by the District may inflict or cause to be inflicted corporal punishment on a student. Corporal punishment does not include reasonable force that District personnel are permitted to use as needed to maintain safety for other students, school personnel, or other persons, or for the purpose of self-defense, or as otherwise allowed by law

Cross References:

3300	Student Discipline: Consequences for Violations of Student Rules, Responsibilities, and Code of Conduct
3350	Student Discipline: Due Process
3350-P1	Detention
3350-P2	Suspension and Expulsion
3350-P3	Discipline Procedure for Special Education Students (SPED)
3350-P4	Discipline Procedure for 504 Students
4310	Public Suggestions, Comments and/or Complaints

Legal References:

§ 20-5-101, MCA	Admittance of child to school
§ 20-5-102, MCA	Compulsory enrollment and excuses
§ 20-5-103, MCA	Compulsory attendance and excuses
§ 20-5-201, MCA	Duties and sanctions
§ 20-4-302, MCA	Discipline and punishment of pupils – definition of corporal punishment
§ 20-5-202, MCA	Suspension and expulsion

Tinker v. Des Moines Ind. Sch. Dist., 89 S.Ct. 733 (1969)

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