

**Policy Statement #3610 (Students) of the Board of Education
Regarding Students' Rights and Responsibilities in Calvert County Public Schools**

I. Purpose

- A. To ensure that each student's individual rights are protected without infringing on the rights of others
- B. To preserve a safe and orderly environment in order to protect the right of all students to learn

II. Definitions

- A. Employees - Individuals whose compensation is paid by the Calvert County Public Schools
- B. School Property - Any Calvert County Public Schools building and/or grounds, any CCPS leased or owned vehicles and vehicles contracted for official school business. This includes any location used for co- or extra-curricular activities, including any field trips.
- C. Student – An individual legally enrolled in Calvert County Public Schools

III. Policy Statement

- A. The Board of Education respects the rights of all of its students and is committed to protecting those rights afforded to them by the United States Constitution and federal, state, and local laws. The Board of Education is also committed to maintaining a safe and orderly learning environment.
- B. The Board recognizes that with rights come responsibilities. Students bear a level of responsibility for their own learning. Students are responsible for their personal conduct within the structure of federal, state, and local laws, the policies and procedures established by the Board of Education and Calvert County Public Schools, and the rules and guidelines established by individual schools.
- C. Employees of Calvert County Public Schools will respect individual student rights at all times, and these individual rights will be balanced with the rights of others in light of the mission of the school system.
- D. The policies, procedures, rules, and guidelines regulating student behavior on school property will be accessible to students, parents, employees, and the community.

IV. Delegation of Authority

- A. The Superintendent of Schools is directed to develop administrative procedures to implement this policy in accordance with all local policies and local, state, and federal laws and regulations, and to communicate this policy and accompanying procedures to all relevant parties.

V. Exceptions

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- A. There are no exceptions to this policy. However, the Board, by majority vote, may temporarily suspend all or part of this policy. Suspension of all or part of this policy, however, in no way relieves the Board of its obligation to comply with the pertinent local, state, and federal laws and regulations, or the rules and regulations of the Maryland State Board of Education and the Maryland State Department of Education.

VI. Review

- A. This policy will be reviewed at the end of three years, or sooner, if approved by majority vote of the Board of Education in public session.

VII. Effective Date

- A. This policy is effective October 14, 2021.

Citations

State Law: Maryland Constitution, Article VIII, Education
§§7-101; 7-104; 7-105; 7-304; 7-305; 7-307; 7-308; 8-413; 26-101 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland
§§ 7-701, 7-704, 7-705 of the Health Services Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

State Reg.: COMAR 13A.05.01.11-15; 13A.08.01.09-14; 13A.08.01.03F; 13A.04.18.03-04

Federal Law: U. S. Constitution
Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act – 20 U.S.C. §1400;
Family Education Rights & Privacy Act 20 U.S.C. § 1232g
Equal Access Act – 20 U.S.C. 4071
Title IX of the Education Amendment of 1972-20 U.S.C. § 1681 - 1688
Equal Educational Opportunities Act of 1974 – 20 U.S.C. § 1703
Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 20 U.S.C. 794
Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 &1991 – 42 U.S.C. §2000
Americans with Disabilities Act 42 U.S.C. 12101

Adm. Reg.:

Other Citation: