

Policies of the Board of Education

Series 400: Students

GANGS AND GANG-RELATED ACTIVITIES

443.8-Rule

Students enrolled in the Waunakee Community School District shall not be involved in antisocial or criminal activities which disrupt school or school sponsored activities.

Student "gang" activities that cause or may cause a disruption of school or school-sponsored activities are prohibited.

It will be the responsibility of school staff to monitor and document the existence of gang activity in the schools.

If the school principal records student involvement for monitoring purposes, the parents/guardians of the student will be informed in writing by the principal

The Director of Student Services will coordinate all efforts related the Board's gang policy and any other gang abatement activities undertaken by the district.

Related Definition:

A "gang" as defined by this policy, is a group of three or more individuals with a unique name, identifiable marks or symbols, whose members claim turf or territory, associate on a regular basis, and engage in antisocial or criminal activity.

The Board lists the following criteria for identifying youths as gang members. School administrators shall monitor student behavior by using the criteria to identify gang involvement as follows:

The criteria includes:

- 1) Having gang tattoos
- 2) Wearing gang garb that could include the color of clothing, head covering or methods of grooming.
- 3) Displaying gang markings or slogans on personal property or clothing.
- 4) Possessing literature that indicates gang membership.
- 5) Admitting gang membership.
- 6) Being arrested with known gang members.
- 7) Attending functions sponsored by the gang or known gang members.
- 8) Obtaining information from a reliable informant.
- 9) Getting statements from relatives identifying the youth as a gang member.
- 10) Receiving information from other law enforcement agencies that a youth is a gang member.
- 11) Exhibiting behavior fitting police profiles of gang related drug dealing.
- 12) Being stopped by the police with a known gang member.
- 13) Loitering, riding or meeting with a gang member.
- 14) Selling or distributing drugs for a known gang member.
- 15) Helping a known gang member commit a crime.

Legal Ref.: Section 118.13 Wisconsin Statutes
 120.13
 121,92(1)(i)
 121.52 (2)
 895.035

PI 9.03(1), Wisconsin Administrative Code

Cross Ref.: 347-Rule (2), Law Enforcement and Other Agency Records
 447-Rule, Procedures for Management of Student Aggressive Behavior
 447.1, Corporal Punishment/Use of Physical Force
 447.3, Suspension of Students
 447.4, Expulsion of Students
 447.5, Discipline of Students with Disabilities
 443.8 Exhibit (2), Disciplinary Actions for Specific Gang-Related Activities

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