

Policies of the Board of Education

Series 400: Students

**DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS FOR SPECIFIC
GANG-RELATED ACTIVITIES**

443.8 Exhibit (2)

Insignia/Gang Clothing/Gang Signs:

Students are prohibited from wearing gang clothing or using gang insignias or signs in school or at school functions.

Students in violation of this policy will be suspended from school for up to five (5) school days or until such time as the offensive insignia/clothing is either disposed of or removed. A student must return to school accompanied by a parent/guardian for a conference with the school principal.

Students who refuse to remove or dispose of the insignia/clothing will be suspended for up to five (5) school days. A repetition of this offense may result in a recommendation for expulsion.

Graffiti:

Any student discovered to have been responsible for gang graffiti on school buildings or property will be suspended from school for up to five (5) school days. A student must return to school accompanied by a parent/guardian for a conference with the school principal.

Any student discovered to be with another student at the time of the graffiti is applied will also be suspended from school for up to five (5) school days.

Any students suspected of applying gang graffiti will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

Parents/guardians and students will be held liable for the damage and are responsible for paying any costs of having the damage professionally removed and/or repaired.

Attacks:

Any student who is involved in or participates in any gang-related attack upon the person of a student or students or school employee during school hours, on the way to/from school, at any school-sponsored event, or (in the case of a school employee) at any time if connected with the employee's school responsibilities, will be suspended from school for up to fifteen (15) school days and will be recommended for expulsion.

Students involved in a gang-related attack will be prosecuted for the attack to the fullest extent of the law.

Any threat of attack will be considered an attempt to intimidate and will result in a suspension from school for up to fifteen (15) school days with a possible recommendation for expulsion.

A student must return to school accompanied by a parent/guardian for a conference with the school principal.

Meetings:

Students found to be congregating or meeting with gangs on school grounds are subject to suspension from school for up to fifteen (15) school days and a possible recommendation for expulsion. A student must return to school accompanied by a parent/guardian for a conference with the school principal.

Recruiting:

Any student found to be recruiting a student for gang membership or threatening a student for either not joining a gang or wishing to withdraw from a gang shall be suspended for five (5) school days and recommended for expulsion. A student must return to school accompanied by a parent/guardian for a conference with the school principal.

Weapons:

Lockers, book bags, gym bags, coats or jackets or other containers which are brought into the school may be searched at any time by school personnel pursuant to Board policy or should they have a reasonable suspicion of the presence of a weapon, mace, tear gas, chemical weapon, or other object deemed dangerous.

Students found to have such weapon on school property or at school-related activities or while under the supervision of school personnel at any time or threatening to bring a weapon onto school grounds will be immediately suspended from school for up to fifteen (15) school days and will be recommended for expulsion.

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