

POST FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 273

Procedure Title: Conduct/Discipline

Section Title: Long-term Suspension and/or Possible Expulsion

Sub-Section No. 504.9e

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To promote desirable student conduct and behavior, to codify penalties yet retain administrative flexibility in application, and to enforce in a uniform but equitable manner, a guideline for discipline related to misconduct or inappropriate behaviors that are most seriously disruptive and may, but is not required to, result in prolonged or long term suspension and/or expulsion is set out below. Other disciplinary action including but not limited to short term suspension may be imposed.

1. Prolonged or long term suspension refers to suspension in excess of five (5) continuous school days.
2. Expulsion may be permanent. Any student expelled may be readmitted to school by the Board of Trustees upon such reasonable conditions as may be prescribed by the Board.
3. Misconduct or inappropriate behavior that may be subject to prolonged or long term suspension and/or expulsion, as well as other disciplinary action, is that behavior covered by I.C. 33-205 et seq, federal and state law and includes but is not limited to:
 - A. Possession, delivery or sale of alcohol, drugs or drug paraphernalia.
 - B. Battery: intentionally causing bodily harm to another.
 - C. Assault: intentionally engaging in conduct (without physical contact) that places another in reasonable apprehension of bodily harm (includes threats and verbal assaults).
 - D. Burglary: knowingly and without authority entering or remaining without authority within a building or vehicle with intent to commit therein a felony or theft.
 - E. Violation of District weapons policy (Policy 504.12).
 - F. Unlawful gang membership or activities; gangs which initiate or advocate activities which threaten the safety, health and well-being of persons or property on school premises or school property or disrupt the instructional effectiveness or the school are harmful to the educational purposes for which schools are operated and are considered to be unlawful gangs; the use of hand signals and presence of any apparel, jewelry, accessory, book or manner of grooming which, by virtue of its color, arrangement, trademark, symbol, or any other attribute, denotes membership in such a group and creates a clear and present danger of the commission of unlawful acts on school premises or the violation of lawful school regulations or the substantial disruption of good order and of the instructional effectiveness of the school.

- G. Arson: knowingly, by means of fire or explosive, damaging a building and/or the personal property of others.
 - H. Destruction of property of another, malicious mischief, vandalism, or to intentionally deface or injure school property.
 - I. False activation of fire alarm, bomb scare, or other serious disruption of school or school activity.
 - J. Repeated racial, ethnic, gender, sexual or other harassment or abuse which may include any derogatory remark, word, phrase, act, picture or gesture referencing or directed at or to any individual or group which is of a racial, ethnic, gender or sexual nature.
 - K. Sex violations: rape, intercourse, public indecency, deviant sexual contact, indecent liberties with a child, contributing to the sexual delinquency of a child.
 - L. Intimidate or attempt to intimidate another by threat of force or violence.
 - M. Acts which are detrimental to or which seriously endanger or jeopardize, directly or indirectly, the health, safety and welfare or the physical and psychological well-being or others, including but not limited to dangerous use of a motor vehicle or endangering others on a bus or other school transportation.
 - N. Defiance of lawful instruction of school personnel including but not limited to refusal to leave an area, interfering with school authorities and programs, causing disturbances that are disruptive of school discipline or of the instructional effectiveness of the school and refusal to cease prohibited behavior.
 - O. Truancy: excessive violation of attendance requirements by unexcused absences and/or tardies.
 - P. Engaging in other illegal behavior.
- 4 The foregoing list is designed to be used as a guide and is not to be interpreted as an inclusive list of all exceptional behaviors that may be subject to prolonged or long term suspension and/or expulsion or other disciplinary action.

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