

THEFT, TRESPASS AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

Policy Code:

4330

The Watauga County Board of Education (the “board”) will not tolerate theft, trespass or damage to property by any student. Any student engaging in such behavior will be removed from the classroom or school environment for as long as is necessary to provide a safe and orderly environment for learning.

A. PROHIBITED BEHAVIOR

1. Theft

Students are prohibited from stealing or attempting to steal school or private property and/or from knowingly being in possession of stolen property.

2. Damage to Property

Students are prohibited from damaging or attempting to damage school or private property.

3. Trespass

Students are prohibited from trespassing on school property. A student will be considered a trespasser and may be criminally prosecuted in any of the following circumstances:

- a. the student is on the campus of a school to which he or she is not assigned during the school day without the knowledge and consent of the officials of that school;
- b. the student is loitering at any school after the close of the school day without any specific need or supervision; or
- c. the student has been suspended from school but is on the property of any school during the suspension period without the express permission of the principal.

B. CONSEQUENCES

The disciplinary consequences for violations of this policy shall be consistent with Section D of policy 4300, Student Behavior Policies. The superintendent or designee shall list in the Code of Student Conduct the specific range of consequences that may be imposed on a student for violations of this policy.

Legal References: G.S. 14-60, -87, -87.1, -132, -132.2; 115C-47, -276(r), -288, -307, -390.2

Cross References: Student Behavior Policies (policy 4300), Integrity and Civility (policy 4310), Criminal Behavior (policy 4335)

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