

Student Handbook and Code of Conduct 2023-2024

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Summary of Revising the NISD Student Code of Conduct

In June, we presented to the Board of Trustees a draft version of the revised NISD Student Code of Conduct with updates recommended by district and campus administrators. Tonight, we share additional updates recommended by TASB that align with recent state legislation.

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT ADDITIONS

Security Personnel

- “The board utilizes school resource officers and security personnel to ensure the security and protection of students, staff, and property.”
- “Provisions addressing the various types of security personnel can be found in the CKE policy series.”

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT ADDITIONS

Disciplinary Alternative Education Program (DAEP) Placement

- “Summer programs provided by the district shall serve students assigned to a DAEP in conjunction with other students.”
- “A student **must** be placed in DAEP if the student sells, gives, or delivers to another person or possesses or uses an e-cigarette.”
- “A copy of the DAEP placement order and information for the parent or person standing in parental relation to the student regarding the process for requesting a full individual evaluation of the student for purposes of special education services shall be sent to the student and the student's parent.”

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT ADDITIONS

DAEP at Capacity

“If a DAEP is at capacity at the time campus administration is deciding placement for conduct related to marijuana, THC, an e-cigarette, alcohol, or an abusable volatile chemical, the student shall be placed in ISS then transferred to a DAEP for the remainder of the period of space becomes available before the expiration of the period of the placement.

If a DAEP is at capacity at the time campus administration is deciding placement for a student who engaged in violent conduct, a student placed in a DAEP for conduct related to marijuana, THC, an ecigarette, alcohol, or an abusable volatile chemical may be placed in ISS to make a position in the DAEP available for the student who engaged in violent conduct. If a position becomes available in a DAEP before the expiration of the period of the placement for the student removed, the student shall be returned to a DAEP for the remainder of the period.”

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT ADDITIONS

Discretionary Expulsion: Misconduct that may result in expulsion

- “Selling, giving, or delivering to another person, or possessing, using, or being under the influence of any amount of marijuana, a controlled substance, or a dangerous drug.”
- “Felony controlled substance or dangerous drug offenses, not including THC.”

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT ADDITIONS

Definition of *Harassment* in the glossary now includes:

- “Causing the telephone of another to ring repeatedly or making repeated telephone communications anonymously or in a manner reasonable likely to harass, annoy, alarm, abuse, torment, embarrass, or offend another;
- Making a telephone call and intentionally failing to hang up or disengage the connection;
- Knowingly permitting a telephone under the person’s control to be used by another to commit an offense under this section;
- Making obscene, intimidating, or threatening telephone calls or other electronic communications from a temporary or disposable telephone number provided by an internet application or other technological means.”

STUDENT HANDBOOK CHANGES

***Updated per TASB Model Student Handbook and Code of Conduct:

- Parents are no longer required to notify school if student is diagnosed with COVID-19.
- District prohibits the installation or use of TikTok (or any successor application or service) on a district device, along with any other social media application or service determined by the governor.
- Added language regarding parent and district review of instructional materials.

Questions