

Descriptor Term: STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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The Board of Trustees will assure students of their legal rights guaranteed all persons under the federal and state constitutions and statutes. The Board reminds students that rights also are accompanied by responsibilities.

These rights and responsibilities include:

1. civil rights, including the right to equal educational opportunity and freedom from discrimination; the responsibility not to discriminate against others;
2. the right to attend free public schools; the responsibility to attend school and to observe school rules and regulations essential for permitting others to learn at school;
3. the right to due process of the law with respect to suspension, expulsion, unreasonable searches and seizures, or administrative decisions which the student believes have injured his rights;
4. the right to free inquiry and expression, responsibility to observe reasonable rules regarding these rights;
5. the right to privacy, which implies the right of a person to dress as he/she pleases within certain limits established in the school handbook.

The Superintendent will make certain that students are made aware of their legal rights, the legal authority of the Board, the delegated authority of the staff to make rules and regulations regarding the orderly operation of the school.

Cross Reference: JAA - Student Equal Educational Opportunities