

PENALTIES

The range of penalties which may be imposed for violations of the student disciplinary code includes the following:

1. verbal warning
2. written warning
3. written notification to parent(s) and/or guardian(s)
4. parent conference via telephone
5. parent conference via face-to-face dialogue
6. counseling
7. probation
8. reprimand
9. suspension from transportation
10. suspension from athletic participation
11. suspension from social or any/all other extracurricular activities
12. suspension of other privileges
13. detention
14. exclusion from a particular class for a reasonable period of time
15. in-school suspension for a reasonable period of time
16. out of school suspension for a reasonable period of time
17. initiation of a Person in Need of Supervision (PINS) petition to the Family Court

Depending upon the nature of the violation, it is the desire of the Board of Education that student discipline be progressive, i.e., a student's first violation should merit a lighter penalty than subsequent violations. It is also the Board's desire that all other relevant factors should be taken into account in determining an appropriate penalty. The above penalties may be imposed either alone or in combination. Such penalties will be imposed by the building principal or his designee.

The student's right to a Superintendent's hearing before a suspension from attendance in excess of five days and the right to an appeal of such a suspension to the Board pursuant to Education Law Section 3214 is recognized by the Board of Education. If the parents/guardians wish to appeal the decision, they must appeal the decision to the Board of Education.

In the case of a student who is classified as disabled under the Individuals with Disabilities Act and Part 200 of the Commissioner's Regulations, or as handicapped within the meaning of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and its accompanying regulations, the district shall follow the appropriate procedures in imposing any penalties under this policy.

If a criminal offense has been committed (i.e., false alarm, vandalism, use and possession of weapons) the police will be notified. All infractions of the student disciplinary code of conduct and/or public law will be subject to disciplinary proceedings as outlined in policy 5313.3, Suspension.

Cross-ref: 5314 Dangerous Weapons in School
5330 Corporal Punishment

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