Student Code of Conduct

Elementary School (3rd – 5th)

Pursuant to district policy JICDA-R, the student code of conduct is a list of disciplinary infractions and the consequences for students who violate these infractions. Disciplinary actions will include appropriate hearings and review, and the removal of a student from the learning environment will occur only for just cause and in accordance with due process of law. The following rules, regulations, and due process procedures are designed to protect all members of the educational community in the exercise of their rights and responsibilities. These rules apply to any student under the following conditions:

- On the school or district property;
- Who is in attendance at school or any school-sponsored activity whether on or off school grounds;
- Who is en-route to and from school on a school bus or other district vehicle;
- Whose conduct at any time or in any place has a direct effect on maintaining order and discipline in the schools and school district.

The following code of conduct will be applied to school and school-related activities. *School administration reserves the right to modify any consequence of a rule violation when the change is deemed appropriate and necessary.* The principal or designee may reduce the penalty where there is a finding of mitigating circumstances.

Consequences

The following list of consequences may be utilized to address violations of the student code of conduct.

CONSEQUENCE	ABBREVIATION
Contact Parent	CP
Conference with Parent	CONF
Warning	W
Detention	D
In-School Suspension	ISS
Out-of-School Suspension	OSS
Recommendation for Expulsion	RE

A '+' appended to the consequence indicates that multiple days can be administered for the corresponding infraction. For example, ISS+ indicates that a student will serve at least one day of ISS.

Consequence Formula

Referral Count × Nature of Offense = Disciplinary Consequences

The more previous office discipline referrals a student acquires multiplied times the seriousness of the present infraction equates to more severe consequences.

Classroom Managed Behaviors

Classroom managed behaviors are those which adversely affect a student's educational progress. Classroom/Teacher Managed infractions should be handled by the classroom teacher and are not processed through a formal referral for disciplinary actions from administration. However, these

infractions are documented by the teacher. Cases of multiple or chronic offenses may require administrative/guidance action (assistance) and referral for interventions.

INFRACTION		
Cheating	Horseplay	Inappropriate Behavior
Dishonesty	ID Violation	Inappropriate Language
Disrupting Class	Improper Use of Technology	Inappropriate Materials
Dress Code Violation	Inappropriate Affection	Unauthorized Area Violation
Failure to Complete Work		

Level One – Disruptive Conduct

Disruptive Conduct (Level One) is any behavior which adversely affects a student's educational progress.

INFRACTION	CONSEQUENCES			
	OFFENSE 1	OFFENSE 2	OFFENSE 3	OFFENSE 3+
Cellular Device Violation – See Cellular Device Policy	CONF / D	CONF / ISS	CONF / ISS+	CONF / OSS
Cheating (Chronic)	CONF / D	CP / D+	CP / ISS	CP / ISS+
Computer Violation-Noncriminal	CONF / D	CP / D+	CP / ISS	CP / ISS+
Confrontation/Altercation	CONF / D	CP / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS
Contraband	CONF / D	CP / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS
Cutting Activity/Class	CONF	CP / D	CP / D+	CP / ISS
Detention Violation	CONF / D	CP / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / ISS+
Dishonesty (Chronic)	CONF / D	CP / D+	CP / ISS	CP / ISS+
Disrespect	CONF / D	CP / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS
Disrupting Class (Chronic)	CONF / D	CP / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS
Dress Code Violation	CP / W	CONF / D	CONF / D+	CONF / ISS
Electronic Device Violation	CP / W	CONF / D	CONF / ISS	CONF / D+
Gambling	CONF	CP / D	CP / D+	CP / ISS
Horseplay (Chronic)	CONF	CP / D	CP / D+	CP / ISS
Inappropriate Physical Contact	CONF / D	CP / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS
Leaving Class	CONF / D	CP / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS
Loitering	CONF / D	CP / D+	CP / ISS	CP / ISS+
Obscene Gesture (Indirect)	CONF / D	CP / D+	CP / ISS	CP / ISS+
Profanity (Indirect)	CONF / D	CP / D+	CP / ISS	CP / ISS+
Property Misuse	CONF	CP / D	CP / D+	CP / ISS
Refusal to Obey	CONF / D	CP / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS
Slap Boxing	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Truant	See Truancy Policy			

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS NOT AN EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF MISCONDUCT INFRACTIONS.

Level Two – Disruptive Conduct

Disruptive Conduct (Level Two) is any behavior which significantly disturbs the positive learning environment and/or endangers the health or safety of oneself or others.

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	OFFENSE 1	OFFENSE 2	OFFENSE 3	OFFENSE 3+
Bite/Pinch/Spit	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Bullying	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Disrespect	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Fighting	CONF / OSS+	CONF / OSS+	CONF / OSS+	CONF / OSS+
Fire Alarm	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Fireworks	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Harassment	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Hit/Kick/Push	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Inciting a Fight	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Indecent Exposure	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Major Disruption	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Obscene Gesture (Direct)	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Pornography – Not Criminal	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Possession or Use of Unauthorized Substances	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Profanity (Direct)	CONF / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+	CP / OSS+
Refusal to Obey	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Sexual Offense-Non Forced	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Sexual Violation	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Stolen Property	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Theft/Larceny	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Threat	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Tobacco Violation (cigarettes, vapes, chewing tobacco, etc.)	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Trespassing	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Vandalism	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+
Miscellaneous Weapons	CONF / ISS	CP / ISS+	CP / OSS	CP / OSS+

Between 5 and 10 days of OSS may be assigned for Fighting along with criminal charges. Please note this is not an exhaustive list of misconduct infractions.

Level Three – Criminal Conduct

Criminal Conduct (Level Three) is any behavior which significantly disrupts the learning environment or poses a direct and serious threat to the safety of oneself or others.

INFRACTION		
Arson	Cyberbullying	Other Offenses
Assault, Aggravated	Disturbing School	Pornography – Student or Minor
Assault by Mob	Drug Distribution	Sexual Harassment
Assault, Simple	Possession of Alcohol or a Controlled Substance	Sexual Offense – Forced
Bomb Threat	Gang Activity	Under the Influence of Alcohol or a Controlled Substance
Bullying	Indecent Exposure	Vandalism (Severe)

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Burglary	Intimidation	Weapons
Computer Violation – Criminal		
CONSEQUENCES		
OSS 5-10 Days	Expulsion Recommendation	Referral to Law Enforcement

Please note this is not an exhaustive list of criminal misconduct infractions. Other infractions which violate state and federal laws may fall into this category.

- Discipline procedures will include parent contact and when necessary a parent conference.
- Administrative discretion can be exercised regarding violations and consequences.
- Law enforcement will be involved as warranted.
- South Carolina law regarding possession/use of weapon(s) will be applied.
- All students are expected to demonstrate integrity, civility, responsibility and self-control. This expectation is directly related to the board's educational objectives for students to learn to be responsible for and accept the consequences of their behavior and for students to respect cultural diversity and ideological differences.
- While this document is intended to provide notice to students and parents of general expectations for behavior and consequences for misconduct, it must be understood that discretion will have to be used in dealing with a wide range in age and maturity of students, and that consideration must be given to the seriousness of the infraction(s) when determining the severity of the consequences. Other inappropriate behavior not covered in this document will be dealt with by the principal and/or designee. The principal and/or designee may impose the consequences listed in the order listed for successive incidents and apply the most severe consequences listed or a lower level of consequences.
- Use of community service/work may be utilized by school personnel when dealing with Level One and Two violations. Community service/work may be used in conjunction with discipline consequences or used to reduce discipline consequences.