

ARTICLE V. PERSONNEL

Section 18. Discipline, Demotion and Discharge.

District employees whose employment is regulated by the provisions of the Michigan Teachers' Tenure Act, MCL §38.71, *et seq.*, may be disciplined, demoted or discharged for any reason that is not arbitrary or capricious.

All other District employees are considered at-will employees who may be disciplined or discharged based on the sole discretion of the District. To the extent that this Policy conflicts with an individual employment contract or collective bargaining agreement, the employment contract or collective bargaining agreement shall apply.

District employees whose conduct or work performance is inappropriate, unprofessional, involves unethical or immoral behavior, or fails to meet the District's performance expectations, are subject to disciplinary action, to and including termination from employment, in the District's sole discretion. Except as provided by law, an individual employment contract, or a collective bargaining agreement, all disciplinary decisions of the District are final and not subject to any grievance or arbitration procedure.

For purposes of this policy, discipline includes, but is not limited to: verbal and written warnings/reprimands, suspensions, and dismissal/discharge. Discipline does not include verbal discussions, verbal or written directives, placement on a voluntary or involuntary leave of absence, or periodic performance evaluations.