

Student Code of Conduct

2025-2026 Updates



Purpose of Student Code of Conduct (pg. 4)

- The document serves to keep the district in legal compliance regarding student discipline while promoting a safe, secure, and optimal learning environment for all students.
- Inside the document you will find:
 - The District-wide discipline management plan,
 - A description of prohibited conduct,
 - The disciplinary options, methods, and consequences for preventing and addressing student misconduct, and
 - The process the District will follow when administering disciplinary consequences.

Note: If there is a conflict between the SCC and the Student Handbook, the terms of the SCC will control. If there is a conflict between the SCC and local District policy, the more recently adopted item will control.



Teacher Request for Student Removal From Class (pg. 17)

- A teacher may remove a student from class when the student:
 - Repeatedly interferes with the teacher's communication or student learning
 - Demonstrates behavior that is unruly, disruptive or abusive toward the teacher, another adult, or another student
 - Engages in conduct that constitutes bullying as defined by law
- Teacher Removal from class no longer requires the need to document repeated behaviors since removal can be based on a single incident.
- A student removed from a teacher's class cannot be returned without the teacher's written consent unless the Placement Review Committee determines that such placement is the best or only alternative available, a conference is held within three school days of the removal, in which the teacher has been provided an opportunity to participate, and a return to class plan has been prepared for that student.



In-School Suspension (pg. 18)

- In-School Suspension assignments are not subject to any time limit.
- Placement must be reviewed every 10 days.



E-Cigarettes (pg. 18)

- A first-time e-cigarette possession or use will result in in-school suspension (ISS) for a period of at least 10 school days instead of DAEP.
- A student who sells, delivers, or gives an e-cigarette to another student will be placed in DAEP for each offense.



Parent Request of ISS instead of OSS (pg. 19)

- A principal or administrator may, at their discretion, reassign a student from out-of-school suspension (OSS) to in-school suspension (ISS) if the student's parent or guardian submits a written request with documentation showing they cannot supervise the student during school hours.
- Should only be used in extenuating circumstances, not as routine replacement.



Specialized Services Continue in ISS (pg. 19)

- If a student that receives special education services is placed in in-school suspension (ISS), the student must continue to receive special education and related services specified in the student's individualized education program and progress in the general curriculum.



PK-2 and Homeless Changes (pg. 19)

- Out-of-school suspension (OSS) options were expanded for homeless students and students in second grade or younger to include:
 - Engages in conduct that threatens the immediate health and safety of other students in the classroom
 - Engages in documented conduct that results in repeated or significant disruption to the classroom



Criminal Offense of Harassment or Retaliation Towards Employee or Volunteer (pg. 20)

- Engages in the criminal offense of harassment as defined by law (see definitions) against any school employee or volunteer, regardless of location.
- Engages in the criminal offense of retaliation as defined by law (see definitions) against any school employee or volunteer, regardless of location.



Mandatory Expulsions (pg. 27)

- Mandatory student expulsion was broadened to include the following notable changes:
 - Kidnapping;
 - Burglary;
 - Assault on a employee or volunteer (prev. was discretionary expulsion);
 - Exhibiting, using, threatening to exhibit or use a firearm (under section 37.125)
- Definitions:
 - Assault: For student discipline purposes, intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly causing bodily injury to another.
 - Bodily injury: Physical pain, illness, or impairment of a physical condition.



Virtual Expulsion Program (pg. 31)

- Used if JJAEP rejects admission of the student or returns the student before the expiration of the discipline assignment



A Definition of Antisemitism (pg. 32)

- Senate Bill 326 requires us to include a definition of antisemitism in our Student Code of Conduct.
- **ANTISEMITISM:** A certain perception of Jews that may be expressed as hatred toward Jews, including rhetorical and physical acts of antisemitism directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals or their property or toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities. (KISD Student Code of Conduct p. 32)

