

**CONTROL AND DISCIPLINE POLICY**

The board of education believes that the school's primary goal is to educate, not discipline. However, when the behavior of an individual student interferes with the rights of others, corrective action may be necessary for the benefit of the individual as well as the school. A student who has been suspended for a violent offense directed towards a teacher shall not be allowed to return to that teacher’s classroom without the approval of that teacher.

Oklahoma Law, Title 70, Section 6-114, provides teachers with the same rights as parents to control and discipline school children in accordance with local school policies. The following schedule of infractions is provided as an aid to teachers in exercising control and discipline of students. The schedule is not intended to include all possible infractions. Therefore, behavior that is not included in the following schedule may warrant appropriate disciplinary measures. The following schedule shall not be used in determining discipline for any child on an IEP or Section 504 plan until such time as the student’s IEP team has determined that the infraction is in no way a manifestation of that student’s disability.

<u>Infractions</u>	<u>Minimum Action &lt;</u>	<u>&gt; Maximum Action</u>
1. Unexcused tardiness	---- Refer to Attendance Policy ----	
2. Disruption of class or assembly	School Conference	Parent Conference      Suspension
3. Lunchroom misconduct	School Conference	Parent Conference      Suspension
4. Bus/playground misconduct	---- Refer to Bus Conduct Policy ----	
5. Negligence in completing classwork	School Conference	Parent Conference      Suspension
6. Cutting class	---- Refer to Attendance Policy ----	
7. Leaving school without permission	---- Refer to Leaving School Grounds (Closed Campus) Policy ----	
8. Truancy	---- Refer to Attendance Policy ----	
9. Tobacco on school grounds	School Conference	Parent Conference      Suspension <sup>1</sup>
10. Drugs or Alcohol possession	Parent Conference	Suspension <sup>1, 2</sup>
11. Gambling	School Conference	Parent Conference      Suspension
12. Theft	Parent Conference	Suspension <sup>1, 2</sup>
13. Assault-physical or verbal	Parent Conference	Suspension <sup>1, 2</sup>
14. Fighting	Parent Conference	Suspension
15. Destruction of property, vandalism	Parent Conference	Suspension <sup>1, 2</sup>
16. Threats/Harassment	School Conference	Parent Conference      Suspension <sup>2</sup>
17. Extortion	School Conference	Suspension <sup>1, 2</sup>
18. Refusal to obey school officials	School Conference	Parent Conference      Suspension
19. Possession of weapons or other items with the potential to cause harm		Suspension <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>. May require counseling and rehabilitative efforts before reinstated in school programs  
<sup>2</sup>. May require notification of legal authorities

Other possible corrective actions include warning students that continued infraction may result in more severe consequences, removing students from class, before or after school detention, alternative placements, financial restitution, if necessary, and referral to social agencies, if appropriate. The administration may impose punishment that would prevent a student from participation in and attendance at extracurricular activities. In addition, student discipline consequences may include an inability to participate in the graduation ceremony, prom, prom activities, school dances, and/or a class trip.

Suspension alternatives may include in-house suspension or out-of-school suspension. Refer to the Suspension Policy (see policy FOD) for requirements for short-term suspensions (1-10 days) and long term suspensions (11 or more days).