

The board of trustees seeks to provide an educational environment that respects the dignity and value of individual students and district employees. While students have the right to express concerns, grievances, and viewpoints before school officials and fellow students, school officials may govern the time, place, and manner of such activity. At no time are students allowed to engage in speech or expression that is defamatory, illegal, invades or threatens to invade the rights of others, presents the likelihood of substantial disorder, or is disruptive to the educational process.

Language that is profane, vulgar, lewd, obscene, threatening, disruptive, discriminatory, or offensive in nature or content is prohibited on school premises, at school activities or events without regard to location, or on school sponsored transportation.

Student speech and expression that violates this policy may result in progressive discipline of the student to be established by the principal or designee. In all circumstances, the principal or designee may elect to take an incident directly to the board for expulsion, depending on the severity of the incident.



**LEGAL REFERENCE:**

Idaho Code Sections

33-205 – Denial of School Attendance

330-512 – Governance of Schools

*Tinker v. Des Moines Independent School District*, 393 U.S. 503 (1969)

**CROSS-REFERENCE:**

540 – Maintenance of Orderly Conduct

543 – Student Suspension

544 – Student Expulsion/Denial of Enrollment

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