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Attachment to 5030: Code of Conduct

ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

Infraction	Range of Responses to Violations of the Code of Conduct
Assisting another student in any actions of academic misconduct	1, 2, 4-6, 9, 12-13, 15, 17, 19, 20
Cheating	1, 2, 4-6, 9, 12-13, 15, 17, 19, 20
Copying	1, 2, 4-6, 9, 12-13, 15, 17, 19, 20
Plagiarism	1, 2, 4-6, 9, 12-13, 15, 17, 19 ,20

BUS MISCONDUCT

Infraction	Range of Responses to Violations of the Code of Conduct
Distracting the driver	1-6, 8, 9, 14-16, 19
Pushing, shoving, fighting, engaging in excessive noise, damaging property or engaging in other behavior prohibited by this Code	1-6, 8, 9, 14-16, 19, 20, 24

DISORDERLY CONDUCT & INSUBORDINATION

Infraction	Range of Responses to Violations of the Code of Conduct
Abusive language and/or indecent gestures directed at staff, students or visitors	1-6, 8, 9, 12, 15-20

Entry into the school building during or after school hours, without appropriate permission and/or supervision	1-6, 8, 9, 15, 16, 19
Excessive noise, littering, roughhousing, vulgar language, throwing food or running in the halls	1-6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 15-21, 23, 24
Food or beverages in prohibited area without appropriate permission	1-9, 12, 13, 15-20
Graffiti	1-10, 12, 15, 16, 18-20, 24
Inappropriate dress or grooming	1-6, 8, 9, 11, 15, 16, 19
Inappropriate public displays of affection	1-6, 8, 9, 15, 16, 19
Insubordination (refusing to follow a staff member's direction, lying to a staff member or violating school rules)	1-6, 8, 9, 12-20
Lateness to class, lateness to school	1-6, 8, 9, 12, 13, 15-20
Parking in unauthorized area, parking without permission	1-6, 8, 9, 12, 13, 15-20
Theft of or damage to school or personal property	1-6, 8-10, 15-17, 19, 20, 24
Trespassing on school grounds during a suspension or expulsion	15, 16, 19-24
Unexcused absence from individual class or detention	1-6, 8, 9, 12, 13, 15-20
Unexcused absence from school	1-6, 8, 9, 12, 13, 15-18
Using a cell phone or any electronic device to record, store or transmit any information or images that infringe on the rights of others under this Code, or are disruptive or otherwise inappropriate in an educational setting.	1-8, 12, 14, 15-20, 24
Using a cell phone or any electronic device to record, store or transmit any information, recordings, or images of CCSD staff without permission that could disrupt or interfere with school operations.	1-8, 12, 14, 15-20, 24

Violation of Acceptable Use Policy regarding computer and network access (reference Acceptable Use Policy for details)	1-6, 8, 9, 13, 15, 16, 18-20
Sale of food, goods or merchandise in school in violation of Policy 1020 (Fund-Raising Activities) or for the student's benefit and not a charitable purpose.	1-6, 8, 9, 13, 15, 16, 18-20

ENDANGERING the SAFETY, MORALS, HEALTH or WELFARE of SELF or OTHERS

Infraction	Range of Responses to Violations of the Code of Conduct
Activation of a fire alarm or report of a fire, bomb threat or other emergency from any location without valid cause; discharging a fire extinguisher without valid cause	3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 14-16, 18-24
Arson	3, 5-10, 14-16, 18-24
Bullying, Cyberbullying or Intimidation, Provoking or encouraging another student to engage in a violation of Code of Conduct	1-6, 8, 9, 12, 14-21, 23
Committing an act which constitutes a crime	3, 5, 9, 14, 15, 16, 18- 24
Driving recklessly on school property (ie., speeding, failing to follow signs or directions)	1-6, 8, 9, 15, 16, 19, 24
Driving underclassman off campus during school hours without authorization	3, 5, 15, 16, 19
Extortion or knowingly receiving stolen property	3, 5-9, 14-21, 23, 24
Forgery, fraud or use of another person's identity or cafeteria, library or computer account without permission (identity theft)	1-10, 12, 14-21, 23, 24
Gambling	3-9, 14-16, 18-21, 23, 24

Creating, displaying, or sharing graffiti, symbols or other postings depicting racial and/or religious epithets or slurs	3, 5-10, 12, 14-16, 18-20, 24
Graffiti or other postings depicting racial and/or religious epithets or slurs	3, 5-10, 12, 14-16, 18-20, 24
Harassment	1-6, 8, 9, 12, 14-21, 23
Hazing	1-6, 8, 9, 12, 14-21, 23, 24
Leaving school property during school hours without authorization	3, 5, 15, 16, 19
Lewd behavior or sexually explicit behavior	1-6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14-20
Possession of a weapon or displaying some object that could be construed as a weapon	3-9, 12, 14-24
Possession, sale, purchase, distribution, use or being under the influence of illegal drugs (or the paraphernalia required for the use of such drugs), counterfeit drugs, alcohol, any controlled substance including synthetic substances, whether or not illegal (without authorization) or a substance which the student believes or represents to be such a drug or alcohol	3, 5-9, 14-16, 18-24
Possession or use of fireworks or other incendiary devices	3-9, 12, 14-16, 18-24
Sexual harassment in violation of Board policy	1-9, 12, 14-21, 23, 24
Significant disturbances or disruptions during instruction, emergency drills or emergency situations	3-6, 8, 9, 14-16, 18-21, 23
Slandering or defaming others by making false statements or representations about an individual or identifiable group that harms the reputation of either or both	1-6, 8, 9, 12, 14-20
Smoking in any form (including but not limited to e-cigarettes, vaporizers etc.) within 100 feet of the entrances, exits or outdoor areas of any school; possession, sale, purchase, distribution or use of cigarettes (including but not limited to e-cigarettes, vaporizers etc.), or other tobacco or nicotine products	3-9, 14-16, 19, 20

Possession, sale, purchase, distribution or ingestion of any edible product containing CBD (Cannabidiol), CBG (Cannabigerol) or any other form of cannabis	1-4, 7, 8, 14-16, 18-20
Vandalism or the intentional damage and destruction of property	3-10, 14-20, 24
Verbal, written or electronically communicated threats	3-6, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16-21, 23, 24
Students Grades K-5 Discrimination/Hate Speech/Bias Incident	1-6, 8, 9, 12, 14-21, 23
Pushing, punching, pinching, slapping, biting, kicking, tripping, and/or physically interacting with another student in an inappropriate manner.	1-6, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16-21, 23, 24
Operating an e-bike or e-scooter on school district property by any individual under the age of 16. Individuals age 16 or older may not operate an e-bike or e-scooter on school district property without wearing a properly fitted helmet or on school sidewalks, walkways, playgrounds, athletic fields, or other recreational facilities located on district property.	1-6, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16-21, 23, 24

SECONDARY LEVEL - UNPROTECTED SPEECH OR SYMBOLS, BIAS INCIDENT, DISCRIMINATION

Instruction Level	1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd Offense
Middle School (Grade 5-8)	After School Detention or 1 Day ISS** Student Belonging & Empathy Learning Experience	1 - 2 Days of ISS** Student Belonging & Empathy Learning Experience	2 Days of OSS** Student Belonging & Empathy Learning Experience

High School	Saturday Detention or 2 Days of ISS** Student Belonging & Empathy Learning Experience	2 Days of OSS** Student Belonging & Empathy Learning Experience	3 Days of OSS** Student Belonging & Empathy Learning Experience
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**The above chart contains minimum guidelines. A student may be subjected to a more severe consequence based on the nature of the incident.

VIOLENT CONDUCT

Infraction	Range of Responses to Violations of the Code of Conduct
Any violent act against another student or person pursuant to the definition of a violent student	3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 12, 14-24
Fighting	3-6, 8, 9, 12, 14-24
Using or threatening to use any weapon or other device, instrument, material or substance that could cause physical injury or death	3, 5-9, 12, 14-24
Possession of shell casing, bullets or other items that would cause disruption to the educational environment or for students/staff to fear for their safety.	3, 5-9, 12, 14-24
Making a threat of mass harm to a school with intent to intimidate a group of people or to create public alarm, threatens to inflict or cause to be inflicted serious physical injury or death at a school, causing a reasonable expectation of fear of serious physical injury or death, or causes the evacuation or lockdown of a school.	3, 5-9, 12, 14-24

VIOLENT CONDUCT - CCSD SAFETY STEPS

The below chart contains minimum guidelines. A student may receive additional interventions to assess their safety risk based on the circumstances presented or outcome of risk/threat assessment.

The New Castle Police Department will be contacted by CCSD when students are not under our supervision and threats of violence are reported to school personnel.

Verbal/Physical Threats of Violence Towards Others	CCSD Action Steps
Elementary Schools	• Immediate Parent Contact & Meeting • Risk & Threat Assessment Completed • Consultation with School Resource Officer to Determine Next Steps (Possible Outcomes: No Additional Steps, Meeting w. Family) • Discipline Intervention (based on administrative assessment of student understanding) • Counseling Session recommended with CCSD Personnel
Middle Schools	• Immediate Parent Contact & Meeting • Risk & Threat Assessment Completed • Consultation with School Resource Officer (Possible Outcomes: Immediate Intervention due to Extreme Safety Risk, Meeting w. Family, No Additional Steps) • Discipline Intervention • Counseling Session recommended with CCSD Personnel
High School	• Immediate Parent Contact & Meeting • Risk & Threat Assessment Completed • Consultation with School Resource Officer (Possible Outcomes: Immediate Intervention due to Extreme Safety Risk, Home Visit, Meeting w. Family at Police Station) • Discipline Intervention • Counseling Session recommended with CCSD Personnel

Intervention Key

1. Verbal warning; School personnel
2. Written warning; Teacher, Guidance, Administrator
3. Verbal or written notification to parents; Teacher, Guidance, Administrator
4. Detention; (including Saturday detention) Teacher, Administrator

5. Parent conference Teacher, Guidance, Administrator
6. Probation; Administrator
7. Confiscation; School personnel
8. Reprimand; Teacher, Guidance, Administrator
9. Removal of privileges; Administrator
10. Restitution; Administrator
11. Removal, cover up, replacement of offending clothing and/or accessories; Teacher, Guidance, Administrator
12. Removal from classroom; Teacher, Principal, Administrator
13. Academic penalties; Teacher, Administrator
14. Suspension from transportation; Principal, Superintendent
15. Suspension from athletic participation; Administrator
16. Suspension from social, extra-curricular, or other school-related activities; Administrator
17. Exclusion from a particular class; Administrator
18. Restricted study/alternative learning site (In-School Suspension); Principal
19. Suspension from school for up to five (5) school days; Principal, Superintendent, Board of Education
20. Suspension from school in excess of five (5) school days (after a hearing); Superintendent, Board of Education
21. Suspension from school for at least one (1) year; Superintendent, Board of Education
22. Placement in an interim alternative educational setting for a period of up to forty-five (45) school days; Superintendent, Board of Education
23. Permanent suspension (expulsion); Superintendent, Board of Education
24. Police, court, or social agency referral; Administrator, Board of Education

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