



## Student Code of Conduct

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Pursuant to district policy JICDA-R, the student code of conduct is a list of disciplinary infractions and the consequences for students who violate these infractions. Disciplinary actions will include appropriate hearings and review, and the removal of a student from the learning environment will occur only for just cause and in accordance with due process of law. The following rules, regulations, and due process procedures are designed to protect all members of the educational community in the exercise of their rights and responsibilities. These rules apply to any student under the following conditions:

- On the school or district property;
- Who is in attendance at school or any school-sponsored activity whether on or off school grounds;
- Who is en-route to and from school on a school bus or other district vehicle;
- Whose conduct at any time or in any place has a direct effect on maintaining order and discipline in the schools and school district.

The following code of conduct will be applied to school and school-related activities. *School administration reserves the right to modify any consequence of a rule violation when the change is deemed appropriate and necessary.* The principal or designee may reduce the penalty where there is a finding of mitigating circumstances.

### Consequences

The following list of consequences may be utilized to address violations of the student code of conduct.

| CONSEQUENCE                  | ABBREVIATION |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Contact Parent               | CP           |
| Warning                      | W            |
| Detention                    | D            |
| In-School Suspension         | ISS          |
| Out-of-School Suspension     | OSS          |
| Recommendation for Expulsion | RE           |

A '+' APPENDED TO THE CONSEQUENCE INDICATES THAT MULTIPLE DAYS CAN BE ADMINISTERED FOR THE CORRESPONDING INFRACTION. FOR EXAMPLE, ISS+ INDICATES THAT A STUDENT WILL SERVE AT LEAST ONE DAY OF ISS.

### Consequence Formula

Referral Count × Nature of Offense = Disciplinary Consequences

The more previous office discipline referrals a student acquires multiplied times the seriousness of the present infraction equates to more severe consequences.

### Classroom Managed Behaviors

Classroom managed behaviors are those which adversely affect a student's educational progress. Classroom/Teacher Managed infractions should be handled by the classroom teacher and are not processed through a formal referral for disciplinary actions from administration. However, these infractions are documented by the teacher. Cases of multiple or chronic offenses may require administrative/guidance action (assistance) and referral for interventions.



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| INFRACTION               |                            |                             |
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| Dishonesty               | ID Violation               | Inappropriate Language      |
| Disrupting Class         | Improper Use of Technology | Inappropriate Materials     |
| Dress Code Violation     | Inappropriate Affection    | Tardy – See Tardy Policy    |
| Failure to Complete Work | Inappropriate Behavior     | Unauthorized Area Violation |

### Level One – Disruptive Conduct

Disruptive Conduct (Level One) is any behavior which adversely affects a student’s educational progress.

| INFRACTION                                             | CONSEQUENCES |           |           |            |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
|                                                        | OFFENSE 1    | OFFENSE 2 | OFFENSE 3 | OFFENSE 3+ |
| Cellular Device Violation – See Cellular Device Policy | ISS          | ISS+      | OSS       | OSS+       |
| Cheating                                               | ISS          | ISS+      | OSS       | OSS+       |
| Cutting Activity/Class                                 | ISS          | ISS+      | OSS       | OSS+       |
| Detention Violation                                    | ISS          | ISS+      | ISS+      | OSS        |
| Dishonesty (Chronic)                                   | ISS          | ISS+      | OSS       | OSS+       |
| Disrespect                                             | ISS          | ISS+      | OSS       | OSS+       |
| Disrupting Class (Chronic)                             | D            | ISS       | ISS+      | OSS+       |
| Distribution/Sale of Unauthorized Materials            | W / CP       | D         | ISS       | OSS+       |
| Dress Code Violation                                   | W / CP       | D         | ISS       | OSS+       |
| Driving/Parking Violation – See Parking Policy         | W / CP       | D         | ISS       | OSS+       |
| Electronic Device Violation                            | W / CP       | D         | ISS       | OSS+       |
| Gambling                                               | D            | ISS       | ISS+      | OSS+       |
| Horseplay (minor)                                      | ISS          | ISS+      | OSS       | OSS+       |
| Inappropriate Affection (Chronic)                      | D            | ISS       | ISS+      | OSS+       |
| Inappropriate Physical Contact                         | D            | ISS       | ISS+      | OSS+       |
| Leaving Class                                          | ISS          | ISS+      | OSS       | OSS+       |
| Loitering                                              | D            | ISS       | OSS       | OSS+       |
| Obscene Gesture (Indirect)                             | ISS          | ISS+      | OSS       | OSS+       |
| Profanity (Indirect)                                   | ISS          | ISS+      | OSS       | OSS+       |
| Property Misuse                                        | ISS          | ISS+      | OSS       | OSS+       |
| Refusal to Obey                                        | ISS          | ISS+      | OSS       | OSS+       |
| Tardy – See Tardy Policy                               | D            | D+        | ISS       | ISS+       |
| Unauthorized Area Violation                            | D            | ISS       | ISS+      | OSS+       |

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS NOT AN EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF MISCONDUCT INFRACTIONS.

### Level Two – Disruptive Conduct

Disruptive Conduct (Level Two) is any behavior which significantly disturbs the positive learning environment and/or endangers the health or safety of oneself or others.



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| INFRACTION                                                   | CONSEQUENCES |            |             |             |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                                              | OFFENSE 1    | OFFENSE 2  | OFFENSE 3   | OFFENSE 3+  |
| Bullying                                                     | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Computer Violation-Noncriminal                               | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Confrontation/Altercation                                    | OSS+         | OSS+       | OSS+ or RE  | OSS+ and RE |
| Contraband                                                   | OSS+         | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Disrespect                                                   | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Fighting                                                     | OSS+         | OSS+ or RE | OSS+ and RE | OSS+ and RE |
| Fireworks                                                    | OSS+         | OSS+ or RE | OSS+ and RE | OSS+ and RE |
| Forgery                                                      | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Harassment                                                   | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Hick/Kick/Push                                               | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Inciting a Fight                                             | OSS+         | OSS+ or RE | OSS+ and RE | OSS+ and RE |
| Major Disruption                                             | OSS+         | OSS+ or RE | OSS+ and RE | OSS+ and RE |
| Obscene Gesture (Direct)                                     | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Pornography – Not Criminal                                   | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+ or RE  | OSS+ and RE |
| Possession or Use of Unauthorized Substances                 | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Profanity                                                    | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Refusal to Obey                                              | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Sexual Offense-Non Forced                                    | OSS+         | OSS+ or RE | OSS+ and RE | OSS+ and RE |
| Sexual Violation                                             | OSS+         | OSS+ or RE | OSS+ and RE | OSS+ and RE |
| Slap Boxing                                                  | OSS+         | OSS+ or RE | OSS+ and RE | OSS+ and RE |
| Stolen Property                                              | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Theft/Larceny                                                | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Threat                                                       | OSS+         | OSS+ or RE | OSS+ and RE | OSS+ and RE |
| Tobacco Violation (cigarettes, vapes, chewing tobacco, etc.) | OSS+         | OSS+       | OSS+ and RE | OSS+ and RE |
| Trespassing                                                  | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Vandalism                                                    | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |
| Miscellaneous Weapons                                        | OSS          | OSS+       | OSS+        | OSS+ and RE |

BETWEEN 5 AND 10 DAYS OF OSS MAY BE ASSIGNED FOR FIGHTING ALONG WITH CRIMINAL CHARGES. PLEASE NOTE THIS IS NOT AN EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF MISCONDUCT INFRACTIONS.

### Level Three – Criminal Conduct

Criminal Conduct (Level Three) is any behavior which significantly disrupts the learning environment or poses a direct and serious threat to the safety of oneself or others.

| INFRACTION          |                                                 |                                |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Arson               | Cyberbullying                                   | Intimidation                   |
| Assault, Aggravated | Disturbing School                               | Other Offenses                 |
| Assault by Mob      | Drug Distribution                               | Pornography – Student or Minor |
| Assault, Simple     | Possession of Alcohol or a Controlled Substance | Sexual Harassment              |



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| Bomb Threat                   | Fire Alarm               | Sexual Offense – Forced                                  |
| Bullying                      | Gang Activity            | Under the Influence of Alcohol or a Controlled Substance |
| Burglary                      | Indecent Exposure        | Vandalism (Severe)                                       |
| Computer Violation – Criminal |                          | Weapons                                                  |
| <b>CONSEQUENCES</b>           |                          |                                                          |
| OSS 5-10 Days                 | Expulsion Recommendation | Referral to Law Enforcement                              |

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS NOT AN EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF CRIMINAL MISCONDUCT INFRACTIONS. OTHER INFRACTIONS WHICH VIOLATE STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS MAY FALL INTO THIS CATEGORY.

- Discipline procedures will include parent contact and when necessary a parent conference.
- Administrative discretion can be exercised regarding violations and consequences.
- Law enforcement will be involved as warranted.
- South Carolina law regarding possession/use of weapon(s) will be applied.
- All students are expected to demonstrate integrity, civility, responsibility and self-control. This expectation is directly related to the board's educational objectives for students to learn to be responsible for and accept the consequences of their behavior and for students to respect cultural diversity and ideological differences.
- While this document is intended to provide notice to students and parents of general expectations for behavior and consequences for misconduct, it must be understood that discretion will have to be used in dealing with a wide range in age and maturity of students, and that consideration must be given to the seriousness of the infraction(s) when determining the severity of the consequences. Other inappropriate behavior not covered in this document will be dealt with by the principal and/or designee. The principal and/or designee may impose the consequences listed in the order listed for successive incidents and apply the most severe consequences listed or a lower level of consequences.
- Use of community service/work may be utilized by school personnel when dealing with Level One and Two violations. Community service/work may be used in conjunction with discipline consequences or used to reduce discipline consequences.