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Student Discipline Code

A code of acceptable behavior and discipline approved by the Board shall be the governing guidelines for students, parents, teachers, and school administrators. Each school shall implement the code of acceptable behavior and discipline. School-based decision making councils shall have the authority to adopt policy to select and implement school-based discipline and classroom management techniques necessary to carry out the code.

The code of acceptable behavior and discipline adopted by the Board shall govern the enforcement of District administered disciplinary action. These guidelines shall include procedures to be followed by administrators in the execution of their responsibilities related to discipline.

The code shall also include the following:

- 1. A process addressing how students can report code violations to District personnel for appropriate action;
- 2. Information regarding the consequences of violating the code and violations reportable under KRS 158.154, KRS 158.156, or KRS 158.444; and
- 3. A prohibition against retaliating against a student who reports a violation of the code or assists or participates in any investigation, proceeding, or hearing regarding the violation.

DISTRIBUTION

This code shall be published, made available to all students, parents and/or guardians and school employees and posted in conspicuous places throughout all schools. The Superintendent shall develop a plan to include additional efforts to communicate the code to students, staff, parents and the community.

REVIEW

This code of acceptable behavior and discipline shall be reviewed by a committee that includes students, administrators, teachers, parents, community members, a Board member, the Director of Pupil Personnel, the general counsel and such other members as determined by the Board.

The committee shall be chaired by the Superintendent/designee. The code of acceptable behavior and discipline shall be recommended by the Superintendent to the Board for approval.

The Board shall update the student discipline code at least every two (2) years.

REPORTING OF DATA

As directed by the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE), the District shall report to the Center for School Safety when a student has been disciplined by the school for a serious incident, as defined by KDE; charged criminally for conduct constituting a violation under KRS Chapter 508; or charged criminally under KRS 525.070 or KRS 525.080 in relation to a serious incident.

Data collected on an individual student committing a reportable incident shall be placed in the student's disciplinary record.

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REFERENCES:

KRS 158.148; KRS 158.153; KRS 158.154; KRS 158.156; KRS 158.165 KRS 158.444; KRS 160.295 KRS 525.070, KRS 525.080 704 KAR 7:050, *Student Discipline Guidelines*, Kentucky Department of Education

RELATED POLICIES:

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