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**STUDENT CONDUCT EXPECTATIONS**

**RESPECT FOR THE LAW AND RIGHTS OF OTHERS**

Students are required to comply with the laws of the United States, the state of Washington, and local ordinances and laws.

**COMPLIANCE WITH RULES**

Students will obey the written rules and regulations established by the district and school and the requests, instructions, and directives of district personnel. For the purposes of this procedure, the term “district personnel” includes all adults, including contractors and volunteers, authorized to supervise student activities.

**SCOPE OF DISTRICT AUTHORITY**

Students who involve themselves in acts that have a detrimental effect on the maintenance and operation of the school or the school district; criminal acts; and/or violations of school rules and regulations, will be subject to disciplinary action by the school and may be subject to prosecution under the law.

- On school grounds (or in reasonable proximity thereto) at all times;
- Off school grounds at a school or district activity, function, or event;
- Off school grounds if the actions of the student materially and substantially affect or interfere with the educational process;
- On school-provided transportation or at a recognized school bus stop; or
- At any other place or time while students are under the authority of school personnel.

**DISRUPTIVE CONDUCT –DISCRETIONARY DISCIPLINE**

A student will not intentionally cause substantial and/or material disruption of any school operation. Violations of this nature are subject to “discretionary discipline” as defined in Policy/Procedure 3241P. The following illustrate offenses that are prohibited:

- Cheating/Plagiarism
- Defiance of school personnel
- Disturbance or disruption
- Dress code violations
- Fighting promotion
- Forgery
- Misuse of district technology
- Occupying a school building or school grounds to deprive use by others
- Preventing students from attending class or school activities
- Truancy and unauthorized absences from class
- Use or possession of tobacco or any type of vaping equipment

**EXCEPTIONAL MISCONDUCT—NON-DISCRETIONARY DISCIPLINE**

Exceptional misconduct is a violation of rules and/or regulations so serious and/or disruptive in nature to be warrant immediate “non-discretionary discipline” as defined below.

- **Assault, Fighting or Causing Personal Injury**

A student shall not cause or attempt to cause physical injury or intentionally behave in such a way as could reasonably cause physical injury to any person:

● **Alcohol, Other Drugs and Controlled Substances**

A student may not possess, use, transmit or attempt to transmit, purchase or attempt to purchase, solicit, be under the influence of, or show evidence of having used any narcotic drug, hallucinogenic drug, amphetamine, barbiturate, marijuana, beverage containing alcohol, prescription medication (including medical marijuana) or over-the-counter medication not approved for use by the student at the school per Policy 3416, drug paraphernalia (or that which purports to be), anabolic steroids, intoxicants of any kind, or any other controlled substance as defined in schedules I through V of section 202 of the Federal Controlled Substances Act by state and federal laws and regulations.

With the exception of medical marijuana, appropriate use of a drug, by the student to whom the medication is prescribed, authorized by a valid medical prescription and used in accordance with

\* See Page 13, Exceptional Misconduct Defined

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3416,

Administration of Medication to Students, will not be considered a violation of this rule.

● **Criminal Acts**

The commission of any criminal act under the laws of the state of Washington including, but not limited to, the following:

1. **Arson:** The intentional setting of a fire or explosion.
2. **Assault/Battery:** Physical threats, attacks, or violence to persons. (A physical attack upon the body of another person may be made with any instrument including, but not limited to, weapons, body parts, food products, or bodily secretions.)
3. **Burglary:** The act of entering or remaining, unlawfully, in a building with the intent to commit a crime.
4. **Explosives, Pyrotechnics, and Fireworks:** Manufacture, purchase, sale, transfer, offer for sale, use, discharge, possession, transport or storage of any explosive, pyrotechnics, fireworks, improvised devices, or components that are intended to be assembled into an explosive.
5. **Extortion or Coercion:** Obtaining or attempting to obtain money, property or services by threats or forcing someone to do something against his/her will by force or threat of force.
6. **Firearms/Ammunition/Dangerous Weapons:** Firearms, ammunition and dangerous weapons are not permitted. **Students carrying or possessing a firearm or dangerous weapon shall be expelled for a period of not less than one (1) year.** Appropriate law enforcement agencies will be contacted if there are violations of the firearm/dangerous weapon statute.
7. **Gambling:** Risking something of monetary value for the chance to win a prize.
8. **Theft:** Stealing from a person or institution
9. **Malicious Mischief:** Property damage.
10. **Robbery:** Stealing by force or threat of force.
11. **Sale, Delivery, Use, or Possession of Alcoholic Beverages or Illegal Drugs**

12. **Trespass:** Being present in an unauthorized place or refusing to leave when ordered to do so.
13. **Threats to Bomb or Injure Property, including false alarm:** Falsely reporting a fire or bombing.
14. **Gang Intimidation:** Threatening of another person with bodily injury because the person refuses to join or has attempted to withdraw from a gang.

Suspected criminal acts will be immediately reported to the appropriate legal authority.

- **Cumulative Violations**

Two or more violations within a three-year period of criminal gang intimidation or other gang activity on school grounds, possessing dangerous weapons on school facilities, willfully disobeying school administrators when directed to leave school property, defacing or injuring school property, or behavior adversely impacting the health or safety of other students or district staff.

- **Damage or Destruction of School and/or Private Property/Vandalism**

A student shall not intentionally or with gross carelessness cause or attempt to cause damage to school or district property or to private or personal property.

A student shall not intentionally or with gross carelessness cause or attempt to cause damage to private or personal property while under the supervision and authority of school personnel to include before, during, and after school; or on any form of approved school district transportation; or at any school or school district sponsored activity on or off school district property.

Note: Under RCW 28A.635.060 (1), the school district may withhold the grades, diploma, and transcripts of a pupil responsible for intentional damage or loss of property of the district, a contractor of the district, an employee, or another student until the pupil or the pupil's parent or legal guardian has paid for the damages. If a student has been suspended or expelled, the student may not be readmitted until the student or parents/legal guardian has made payment in full, or until the superintendent directs otherwise. If the property is a school bus owned and operated by the district, a student suspended for damages may not be permitted to enter or ride any school bus until payment in full has been made or until directed otherwise by the superintendent.

When a pupil and/or parent/legal guardian are unable to pay for the damages, the school district will provide a program of voluntary work for the pupil in lieu of the payment of monetary damages. The parent or legal guardian of the pupil is liable for damages as otherwise provided by Washington state law.

- **Disruption of the Educational Process**

A student shall not use, threaten to use or urge others to use violence, force, coercion, threat, intimidation, fear, or any other conduct which is reasonably certain to result in the substantial and material disruption or obstruction of any lawful mission, process or function of the school.

- **Harassment: All Forms**

Students are expected to exhibit respectful behavior and conduct. Any and all forms of harassment are prohibited and will not be tolerated.

Harassment is defined as any intentional and persistent written, verbal, electronic message or

image or any physical act, including, but not limited to; one shown to be motivated by race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, including gender expression or identity, mental or physical disability, or other distinguishing characteristics, when the intentional written, verbal, electronic message or image or any physical act:

- Physically harms a student or damages the student's property; or
- Has the effect of substantially interfering with a student's education; or
- Is so severe, persistent, or pervasive that it creates an intimidating or threatening educational environment; or
- Has the effect of substantially disrupting the orderly operation of the school.

Harassment is further defined within District Policy 3207, "Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying".

Any student who believes that he or she has been harassed is encouraged to take the complaint to a building administrator pursuant to the procedures contained in District Policy 3207. Concerns and/or complaints will be investigated as noted in District Procedure 3207P.

● **Insubordination**

Students are required to obey the reasonable requests of school and district staff members. Students are required to identify themselves, upon request, to staff members of the school district.

● **Lewd Conduct**

Students shall not engage in conduct or expression which is lewd, indecent or obscene, including but is not limited to, indecent exposure, extreme displays of affection, and use of obscenities in oral, written, electronic or gestured form.

● **Occupation of School Property**

A student shall not occupy any school building, school grounds or part thereof, with intent to deprive others of its use; or block the entrance or exit of any school building or corridor or room therein with intent to deprive others of lawful access to or from, or use of, the building, corridor, or room. A student shall not prevent or attempt to prevent by physical act the convening or continued functioning of any school, class or activity or prevent students from attending a class or school activity; or block pedestrian or vehicular traffic on a school campus.

● **Reckless and/or Dangerous Driving**

Students who operate any type of motorized vehicle on school property (or in reasonable proximity thereto) will not drive in a manner that violates municipal traffic ordinances, district or school rules, and will not operate the vehicle in such a way in which he/she may potentially bring harm to him/herself or others.

● **Threats and/or Threatening Act**

A person may not communicate to any person actions he/she intends to take to punish or harm another person. Behavior of this nature is a form of harassment and will be treated as such.

● **Sexual Misconduct**

Any form of sexual harassment is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated. Sexual harassment is defined as unwelcome conduct, whether verbal, written or physical, that is directed toward a

student because of a student's gender or sexual orientation, including gender expression and identity. Prohibited sexual harassment occurs when:

- a) Submitting to the harasser's sexual demands is a stated or implied condition of obtaining an education or work opportunity or other benefit; or
- b) Submission to or rejection of sexual demands is a factor in an academic, work, or other school-related decision affecting an individual; or
- c) Unwelcome sexual or gender-directed conduct or communication interferes with an individual's performance or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment.

Specific examples of behaviors that may constitute sexual harassment are listed below:

- Persistent, unwelcome flirtation, advances and/or propositions of a sexual nature;
- Repeated, offensive and unwelcome insults and/or jokes that are sexual in nature;
- Repeated, unwelcome comments of a sexual nature about an individual's body or clothing;
- Deliberate and unwelcome touching, such as patting, pinching, hugging or brushing against an individual's body;
- Unwelcome and offensive displays of sexually suggestive objects or pictures;
- Pressure for dates or sex, if unwelcome and repeated;
- Acts of sexual violence;
- Unwelcome requests for sexual favors; and
- Sexual demands when submission is a stated or implied condition of obtaining an educational benefit

Any student who believes he or she has been sexually harassed is encouraged to file a complaint with the building administrator. District Policy and Procedure 3205 provide additional information related to sexual harassment.

● **Dangerous Weapons and Weapons Capable of Causing Bodily Harm**

Students may not possess a dangerous weapon or a weapon, or carry, display, draw, exhibit, or use a dangerous object in a manner which, under the circumstances, manifests an intent to intimidate another or warrants alarm for the safety of others.

- a) "Weapon capable of causing bodily harm means any object apparently capable of producing bodily harm.
- b) A laser pointer is included in this definition.
- c) "Dangerous weapon" includes, but is not limited to:
  - (1) a firearm, which is a weapon or device from which a projectile may be fired by an explosive;
  - (2) an air gun, including any air pistol or air rifle, designed to propel a BB, pellet, or other projectile by discharge of compressed air, carbon dioxide or other gas;
  - (3) slung shot;
  - (4) a sand club
  - (5) metal knuckles
  - (6) a knife

- (7) a sword or dagger
- d) "Possession" means carrying, handling, holding, storing, or transmitting an item:
  - (1) in a space assigned to a student such as a locker or desk,
  - (2) on the student's person or property (such as on the student's body, in his/her clothing, purse, backpack, gym bag, or vehicle), or,
  - (3) under the student's control or accessible or available, such as hidden on school grounds or in a bus.
- e) "School supplies" means instructor-approved items needed for classes in which the student is enrolled, but excludes laser pointers.

● **Personal Protection Spray Devices**

- a) Persons over eighteen years of age and persons between fourteen and eighteen years of age with written parental or guardian permission may possess personal protection spray devices on school property. No one under eighteen years of age may deliver such devices, nor may anyone eighteen years or older deliver a spray device to anyone under fourteen or to anyone between fourteen and eighteen who does not have parental permission.
- b) Personal protection spray devices may not be used other than in self-defense as defined by Washington state law. State law requires that students between the ages of fourteen and seventeen (14-17) have parent permission to carry a personal protection spray device (PPSD) that must be registered with the school administration. Students who unlawfully carry, discharge, or distribute a PPSD will be subject to disciplinary action.

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