

Code of Conduct

The principal may suspend or recommend expulsion of a student who engages in one or more of the following activities while in school buildings, on district property, when being transported in vehicles dispatched by the district or one of its schools, during a school-sponsored or district-sponsored activity or event and off school property when the conduct has a reasonable connection to school or any district curricular or non-curricular event.

1. Causing or attempting to cause damage to school property or stealing or attempting to steal school property of value.
2. Causing or attempting to cause damage to private property or stealing or attempting to steal private property.
3. Commission of any act which if committed by an adult would be robbery or assault as defined by state law. Expulsion shall be mandatory in accordance with state law except for commission of third degree assault.
4. Violation of criminal law which has an immediate effect on the school or on the general safety or welfare of students or staff.
5. Violation of district policy or building regulations.
6. Violation of the district's policy on dangerous weapons in the schools. Expulsion shall be mandatory for carrying, bringing, using or possessing a dangerous weapon without the authorization of the school or school district, unless the student has delivered the firearm or weapon to a teacher, administrator, or other authorized person in the district as soon as possible upon discovering it, in accordance with state law.
7. Violation of the district's alcohol use/drug abuse policy. Expulsion shall be mandatory for sale of drugs or controlled substances, in accordance with state law.
8. Violation of the district's violent and aggressive behavior policy.
9. Violation of the district's tobacco-free schools policy.
10. Violation of the district's policy on sexual harassment.
11. Violation of the district's policy on discrimination by engaging in any unwelcome, hostile and offensive verbal, written or physical conduct based on or directed at a person's race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, or disability that: (1) results in physical, emotional or mental harm, or damage to property; (2) is so severe, persistent, or pervasive that it creates an

intimidating, hostile or threatening environment; or (3) substantially disrupts the orderly operation of the school.

12. Throwing objects, unless part of a supervised school activity, that can cause bodily injury or damage property.
13. Directing profanity, vulgar language, or obscene gestures toward other students, school personnel or visitors to the school.
14. Engaging in verbal abuse, i.e., name calling, ethnic, or racial slurs, or derogatory statements addressed publicly to others that precipitate disruption of the school program or incite violence.
15. Committing extortion, coercion, or blackmail, i.e., obtaining money or other objects of value from an unwilling person or forcing an individual to act through the use of force or threat of force.
16. Lying or giving false information, either verbally or in writing, to a school employee.
17. Scholastic dishonesty which includes but is not limited to cheating on a test, plagiarism or unauthorized collaboration with another person in preparing written work.
18. Continued willful disobedience or open and persistent defiance of proper authority including deliberate refusal to obey a member of the school staff.
19. Behavior on or off school property which is detrimental to the welfare or safety of other students or school personnel.
20. Repeated interference with the school's ability to provide educational opportunities to other students.
21. Engaging in "hazing" activities, i.e., forcing prolonged physical activity, forcing excessive consumption of any substance, forcing prolonged deprivation of sleep, food, or drink, or any other behavior which recklessly endangers the health or safety of an individual for purposes of initiation into any student group.
22. Violation of the district's dress code policy.
23. Violation of the district's policy on student expression.
24. Making a false accusation of criminal activity against a district employee to law enforcement or to the district.

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LEGAL REFS: C.R.S. 12-22-303 (7) (*definition of controlled substance*)
C.R.S. 18-3-202 *et seq.* (*offenses against person*)
C.R.S. 18-4-301 *et seq.* (*offenses against property*)

C.R.S. 18-9-124 (2)(a) (*prohibition of hazing*)
C.R.S. 22-12-105 (3) (*authority to suspend or expel for false accusations*)
C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (2)(a)(I) (*duty to adopt policies on student conduct, safety and welfare*)
C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (2)(a)(II) (*policy required as part of safe schools plan*)
C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (9) (*immunity provisions in safe schools law*)
C.R.S. 22-33-106 (1)(a-e) (*grounds for suspension, expulsion, denial of admission*)

CROSS REFS: AC, Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity
ADC, Tobacco-Free Schools
ADD, Safe Schools
ECAC, Vandalism
GBGB, Staff Personal Security and Safety
JBB*, Sexual Harassment
JIC, Student Conduct
JICA, Student Dress Code
JICC, Student Conduct on School Buses
JICDD*, Violent and Aggressive Behavior
JICED*, Student Expression Rights
JICF, Secret Societies/Gang Activity
JICH, Drug and Alcohol Use by Students
JICI, Weapons in School
JK, Student Discipline
JKD/JKE, Suspension/Expulsion of Students