

Relationship Abuse and Sexual Assault Prevention and Response

The Board endeavors to take steps to prevent and respond to known instances of relationship abuse and sexual assault. Such conduct by students, or third parties, is strictly prohibited and shall not be tolerated on District premises, or at any District sponsored activity, regardless of location including, but not be limited to buildings, facilities, and grounds on the District campus, school buses, District parking areas, and the location of any District sponsored activity. This includes instances in which the conduct occurs off the District premises, but impacts a District related activity.

Relationship abuse includes the intentional use of physical, sexual, verbal, or emotional abuse or violence by a person to harm, threaten, intimidate, or control another person in a current or past dating relationship. Sexual assault includes sexual violence, sexual abuse, sexual stalking, and rape.

Students whose behavior is found to be in violation of this policy will be subject to discipline, up to and including expulsion. Third parties whose behavior is found to be in violation of this policy shall be subject to appropriate sanctions as determined and imposed by the Superintendent or Board.

Students or third parties may also be referred to law enforcement officials. Should the District have reason to believe that a child under the age of eighteen (18) years of age has been abused, abandoned, or neglected or has been subjected to conditions which would reasonably result in abuse, abandonment, or neglect, the school shall follow appropriate reporting requirements pursuant to the Child Protective Act.

Procedures, forthcoming, shall include comprehensive prevention strategies, response procedures, reporting and investigative procedures, prohibited conduct descriptions and provisions to ensure notice of this policy is provided to students.

The Board shall review this policy annually.

Legal References: I.C. Title 16 Chapter 16 Child Protective Act
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