Hazing, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Cyber Bullying, Menacing

The Board is committed to providing a positive and productive learning and working environment. Hazing, harassment, intimidation, menacing, cyber bullying, or bullying by students or third parties is strictly prohibited and shall not be tolerated in the District. This includes actions on school grounds and actions at locations outside of school grounds that can be reasonably expected to materially and substantially interfere with the requirements of appropriate discipline in the operation of the school or impinge on the rights of other students. These actions are prohibited, and may be subject to disciplinary consequences.

The Board expects all students to treat each other with civility and respect and not to engage in behavior that is harmful to another student or the property of another student. The Board expects students to conduct themselves in keeping with their level of maturity, with a proper regard for the rights and welfare of other students, for school personnel, and for the educational purpose underlying all school activities.

Discipline

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. Inquiries regarding discrimination or intimidation should be directed to the building Title IX Coordinator (principal or supervisor).

Students or third parties may also be referred to law enforcement officials.

Notification

Information on the district's bullying policy and relevant procedures shall be provided in writing at the beginning of each school year to school personnel, parents, and students in the District and included in student handbooks. Information provided to students shall be provided in a manner appropriate to the student's age, grade, and level of academic achievement.

Procedures

The Superintendent is directed to develop administrative procedures to implement this policy. Procedures shall include descriptions of prohibited conduct, reporting and investigative procedures, as needed, rules for disciplining students who violate this policy, and provisions to ensure notice of this policy is provided to students, teachers, and third parties.

Reporting

The District shall annually report bullying incidents to, and in the manner and on the form provided by, the State Department of Education.

The Board shall review this policy annually.

Legal References: I.C. § 18-917	Hazing
I.C. § 18-917A	Student Harassment – Intimidation – Bullying
I.C. § 33-205	Denial of School Attendance
I.C. § 33-512	Governance of Schools
I.C. § 33-1631	Requirements for Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying
	Information and Professional Development
I.C. § 67-5909	Acts Prohibited
20 U.S.C. § 1681	, et seq. Title IX of the Educational Amendments
34 CFR Part 106	

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Cross Reference: Board Policy 3280 Equal Education, Nondiscrimination & Sex Equity

Board Policy 3255 Student Conduct Code

Policy History:

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