

Student Conduct

Respect for the Law and the Rights of Others

The student is responsible as a citizen to observe the laws of the United States, the: state of Washington, and/or its subdivisions. While in the school, the student shall respect the rights of others. Students who involve themselves in criminal acts on school property, off school property at school-supervised events, or off school property — and which acts have a detrimental effect upon the maintenance and operation of the schools or the district — are subject to disciplinary action by the school and prosecution under the law.

Rules of Conduct K-12

Unless specified differently in a particular rule, the following rules of conduct shall be in effect under the following circumstances: on the school grounds immediately before, during and immediately after school hours; near the school grounds immediately before, during and immediately after school hours; at any time when a school is being used by any school group; off the school grounds at a school activity, function or event; or anywhere and anytime a student's conduct has a real and substantial relationship to the lawful maintenance and operation of the district. Students engaging in such conduct, or attempting to engage in such conduct, are subject to corrective action or punishment.

Law enforcement agencies shall be contacted in violations of assault; possession, use or transmitting alcohol or other drugs not prescribed for the individual; arson; possession of a dangerous weapon or weapon facsimile; reporting false alarms; of abuse and theft as appropriate; and of other criminal activities. The Department of Social and Health Services, Children's Protective Services, may be contacted in cases of abuse or assault. If the victim is 18 or older and developmentally disabled, Adult Protective Services may be called.

1. Abusive Behavior, Lewd Conduct, Harassment and Sexual Harassment

A student shall not engage in any lewd, indecent, or obscene act or expression.

A student shall not engage in harassment (see Policy 3207 – Prohibition Against Harassment Intimidations and Bullying and Policy 3213 – Sexual Harassment).

2. Alcoholic Beverages, Narcotics and Stimulant Drugs

A student shall not possess, use, transmit, be under the influence of, or show evidence of having used any alcoholic beverage or other drugs or substances capable of or intended, purported, or presumed to be capable of altering a student's mood, perception, behavior or judgment, other than properly used, over-the-counter pain relievers and medications prescribed by a physician for an individual student and used at school in accordance with Policy 3416. Nor shall the student possess, use, sell or transmit paraphernalia associated with such drugs, alcohol, or chemical substances.

3. Arson

A student shall not set fires on school property, at school sponsored events or activities, or on school transportation.

4. Assault, Threats, Extortion, Causing Physical Injury or Damage to School Property

A student shall not threaten injury, attempt to cause physical injury, behave in such a way as could reasonably be expected to cause physical injury or cause fear of physical injury, or inflict physical injury to any person. A student shall not threaten to damage or cause damage to school or other property.

A student shall not extort, nor attempt to extort, anything of value.

5. Criminal Acts

A student, as a citizen or resident of the United States and the state of Washington, is to obey all laws established by these jurisdictions. A student who violates these laws during school hours or at school sponsored events shall be subject to corrective action or punishment by the school whether or not any action is taken by law enforcement agencies.

6. Dangerous Weapons, Instruments and Activities

A student shall not possess, transmit, or attempt to possess or transmit any object that can reasonably be considered a weapon nor engage in any activity that could reasonably be expected to endanger self or others.

Bringing onto district property, causing to be brought onto district property, and the possession of firearms or facsimiles and fireworks are prohibited.

7. Destruction or Theft of Property

A student shall not intentionally or with carelessness damage, misuse or steal school or private property. Where school property is damaged or stolen, the superintendent shall seek restitution from the student or his/her parents as permitted by law.

8. Disruptive Conduct, Dress or Appearance

A student shall not cause the disruption of any school operations. This includes but is not limited to the interfering with the conduct of any class or activity; inappropriate dress, the blocking of entrances, exits, or the normal flow of vehicular or pedestrian traffic; or the occupation of school buildings or grounds in order to deprive others of their use.

9. Failure to Pursue Studies

A student is required to pursue a program of studies, which includes regular class attendance, coming prepared with materials required, participating in class activities, and completing assigned work.

10. False Alarms

A student shall not report false information regarding emergencies or misuse alarms or other emergency equipment.

11. Forgery, Lying, Cheating, Plagiarism and Misuse of Documents

A student shall tell the truth, shall present oneself honestly and shall not forge any signature or make any false entry or alteration of any document, either paper or electronic, used or intended to be used in connection with the operation of the school.

A student shall not attempt to earn credit or receive a grade for coursework in a manner other than defined as acceptable by the teacher. Cheating/plagiarism include, but are not limited to, copying another's work to use as one's own or making an effort to distribute class assignments or test information without teacher permission to another student (written or verbal).

A student shall not open or alter official school documents and private documents, either paper or electronic.

12. Loitering and Trespassing

A student shall not linger in a parking lot or in other unauthorized areas during the school day. During the school day, a student shall not be on the grounds of a school other than the school of attendance without permission of school personnel. Guests of students must have administrative approval for being on campus.

13. Negligent Driving

A student shall not drive in a manner which demonstrates disregard for the safety of others, oneself, or property.

14. Possession of or Use of Tobacco

A student may not smoke or use any form of tobacco or a substance resembling tobacco, in school, on school grounds, or at school-sponsored activities.

15. Truancy, Tardy

A student shall not be absent or tardy from classes without an approved excuse.

16. Repeated Misconduct

A student shall not repeatedly fail to comply with district policies or school rules or with directions of school personnel during any period of time when properly under the authority of school personnel. Teachers shall establish reasonable rules in their classrooms to assist them in providing a good environment for learning. Students are to follow these rules.

17. General Rule Violation, Insubordination, Disrespectful Conduct

A student shall identify oneself when asked to do so by school personnel. A student is to comply with reasonable directions or requests of school personnel during any period of time the student is properly under the authority of the school personnel. A student will treat staff, students, parents, and visitors with respect.

18. Unauthorized Entry

A student shall not enter or attempt to enter any school building or other unauthorized school property other than during regularly scheduled school activities.

19. Inappropriate Computer/Network Behavior

A student shall not engage in any activity characterized as unethical (and unacceptable) as defined in Board Policy 2314 – Electronic Information Systems (Networks).

20. Gangs

The type of dress, apparel, activities, acts, behavior, or manner of grooming displayed, reflected or participated in by a student shall not imply gang membership or affiliation with a gang.

21. Closed Campus

All Issaquah School District schools are closed campuses.

22. Communication Devices/Electronic Equipment

Cell phones or any other electronic devices shall not disrupt the educational process. No mechanical or electronic device shall be used to audio or video record any classroom instruction or activity on district premises immediately before, immediately after and during the school day or on district provided transportation without the express permission of the classroom teacher and administrative staff at the school.

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