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POLICY

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SCHOOL CODES OF STUDENT CONDUCT

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POLICY

The Board of Education is committed to establishing and maintaining safe, caring and orderly school environments for all students, families and employees. Each school shall establish and implement a school code of conduct for students.

Responsibility Centre: Assistant Superintendents

References: *School Act*, Sections 6, 76 and 85

B.C. Reg. 265//89

Ministerial Order 276/07

Safe, Caring and Orderly Schools: A Guide (Ministry of Education, 2008)

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PREAMBLE

Boards of education and schools are entrusted under the *School Act* with the responsibility to establish and implement codes of conduct. School codes of conduct should reflect the needs of the school community and be coherent and consistent with district and provincial standards.

The Board of Education recognizes the need to provide a safe environment, free from harassment and discrimination, while ensuring that all students are treated with respect and dignity while being welcomed and included in all aspects of learning and school life.

The Board of Education recognizes and reaffirms its commitment to the anti-discrimination principles and values contained in the B.C. Human Rights Code, the Canadian Human Rights Act and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

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REGULATIONS:

1. Each school's code of student conduct shall be consistent with:
 - 1.1 School rules authorized by the principal.
 - 1.2 District student code of conduct and other relevant Board policies.
 - 1.3 The School Act, Ministry of Education policies and guidelines and other relevant legislation.
2. The school code of conduct must be distributed to students attending the school, parents of students attending the school and employees of the board at the school or when appointed to the school. As well the school code of conduct must be available to the public and displayed in a prominent area in the school.
3. The school codes of conduct must be reviewed annually with individuals or groups the school considers representative of employees of the board, parents, and students, to assess the effectiveness of the code of conduct in addressing current school safety issues.
4. School codes of conduct will reflect current Ministry of Education standards.
5. Elements that should, at a minimum, be incorporated in all schools codes of conduct are:
 - 5.1 The purpose of the code of conduct.
 - 5.2 Methods of promoting expected behaviour and correcting inappropriate behavior.
 - 5.3 Age and/or maturity expectations.
 - 5.4 Expected behaviours – including informing adults about safety concerns.
 - 5.5 Inappropriate behaviours – including disruptive behaviours and serious misconduct like bullying, harassment and intimidation.
 - 5.6 Consequences for inappropriate behaviours.
 - 5.7 Notification of parents and/or adults.

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