STUDENT DISCIPLINE

I. The Board of Education acknowledges that conduct is closely related to learning and that an effective instructional program requires an orderly school environment, which is, in part, reflected in the behavior of students. Therefore, students may be disciplined for conduct violations in accordance with any and all established codes of conduct, specific rules concerning student behavior established by the administration, handbook provisions, Board Policies, and state law.

II. The Board believes that the best discipline is self-imposed and that students should learn to assume responsibility for their own behavior and the consequences of their actions.

III. The Board shall require each student of this District to adhere to the behavioral standards contained in school policies and handbooks. Such rules shall require that students:

A. conform to reasonable standards of behavior;
B. respect the rights and property of others;
C. preserve the degree of order necessary to the educational program in which they are engaged.

IV. The Superintendent shall develop administrative guidelines for student conduct, which carry out the purposes of this policy and:

A. are not arbitrary but bear a reasonable relationship to the need to maintain a school environment conducive to learning;
B. do not discriminate among students;
C. do not violate any individual rights constitutionally guaranteed to students.

V. The Board shall attempt to provide, as resources permit, alternative programs and activities for disruptive students as a means to prevent or reduce discipline problems. In planning such programs, the Superintendent shall include procedures, which ensure cooperation with those community agencies and organizations, which can provide assistance to such students.

VI. The principal shall publish to all students and their parents the rules of this District regarding student conduct, the sanctions, which may be imposed for breach of those rules, and the due process procedures that will be followed in administering the disciplinary sanctions.
VII. The principal shall have the authority to assign discipline to students, subject to District administrative guidelines and state law when applicable.

VIII. District employees have the authority to interfere as may be necessary to control the disorderly conduct of students when such conduct interferes with the educational program of the schools or threatens the health and safety of others.

Legal reference:
Sections 118.13, 120.13(1), 170.44 Wis. Stats.
PI9, Wis. Admin. Code

Cross reference:
Administrative Guideline 2260 – Complaint Procedures
Administrative Guideline 5600 – Student Discipline
Board Policy 2260 – Access to Equal Educational Opportunity
Code of Classroom Conduct
IDEA 2004

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The Port Washington-Saukville School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to designated youth groups. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Director of Special Services, Port Washington-Saukville School District, 100 W. Monroe Street, Port Washington, WI 53074 - Duane.Woelfel@pwssd.k12.wi.us