

## WAUSAU SCHOOL DISTRICT

STUDENTS  
WELFARE/DISCIPLINE  
Student Discipline

5705

The Board recognizes that students who cannot or will not control themselves and who disrupt the school program need to learn how to behave. District staff are responsible for doing as much as possible to help supervise these students. However, behavior of students who do not respond to this supervision and are persistent in infringing upon the rights of other students to learn, in deprecating a staff member's status and efforts, in performing or exhibiting actions which degrade or harm other students or otherwise interfere with the operation of the school, shall not be tolerated.

The District Administrator, principals, and teachers shall ensure that proper conduct and behavior are maintained by students in the classrooms, on school premises, on school buses, and during school-sponsored activities. Students shall be informed that teachers and administrators are authorized to employ reasonable practices in disciplining students for misbehavior and/or violations of rules and regulations.

A positive approach in the disciplinary measures shall be used, taking into account the dignity of the student, the seriousness of the infraction, and the need for positive motivation of students. In reference to discipline in the school, the ultimate goal is to develop an understanding of self-discipline and its necessity in our society.

Specific rules and regulations concerning student behavior shall be established by the administration. These rules and regulations, along with state laws relating to student conduct and behavior, shall be distributed to parents, staff, and students.

The District shall not discriminate in standards and rules of behavior or disciplinary measures, including suspensions and expulsions, on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability. Federal law prohibits discrimination in employment on the basis of age, race, color, national origin, sex, religion, or disability.

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Wisconsin Administrative Code, PI 9.03(1)

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