

TITLE: STUDENT DISCIPLINE

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Palmyra Area School District

	<div data-bbox="766 619 1166 659">218. STUDENT DISCIPLINE</div> <div data-bbox="133 728 394 1925"> <div data-bbox="133 728 394 890"> <p>A. Purpose</p> </div> <div data-bbox="133 917 394 1327"> <p>2. Authority SC 510 Title 22 Sec. 12.3</p> <p>SC 1317</p> </div> <div data-bbox="133 1789 394 1925"> <p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</p> <p>Title 22</p> </div> </div> <div data-bbox="436 728 1482 1925"> <p>The Board acknowledges that conduct is closely related to learning; an effective instructional program requires a wholesome and orderly school environment and the efficacy of the educational program is, in part, reflected in the behavior of students and employees.</p> <p>The Board shall require each student of this district to adhere to the rules and regulations promulgated by the administration and to submit to such disciplinary measures as are appropriately assigned for infraction of those rules. The rules govern student conduct in school and during the time spent in travel to and from school. Such rules shall require that students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Conform to reasonable standards of socially acceptable behavior; B. Respect the rights, person, and property of others; C. Preserve the degree of order necessary to the educational program in which they are engaged; and D. Obey constituted authority and respond to those who hold that authority. <p>Data regarding disciplinary action(s) may be entered on a student's record when such notation can be used to assist counselors. All such information shall be removed from the student's permanent record when he/she leaves this school district.</p> <p>Any student disciplined by an employee of this Board shall have the right to notice of the infraction and a hearing before the building principal prior to being disciplined, and may appeal the determination thereof to the Superintendent.</p> <p>The Superintendent shall promulgate rules and regulations for student conduct which carry out the purposes of this policy and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Are not arbitrary, but bear a reasonable relationship to the need to </div>
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<p>Sec. 12.3</p>	<p>maintain a school environment conducive to learning;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> B. Do not discriminate among students; do not demean students; and C. Do not violate any individual rights constitutionally guaranteed to students. <p>The Superintendent shall designate sanctions for the infractions of rules which shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Relate in kind and degree to the infraction; B. Help the student learn to accept responsibility for his/her actions; C. Be directed, where possible, to ameliorating any harm which may have been caused by the student's misconduct; and D. Hold parents or guardians accountable for the actions of their sons or daughters or words. <p><u>Corporal Punishment</u></p> <p>Corporal punishment is defined as the intentional use of physical force upon a student for any alleged offense or behavior, or the use of physical force in an attempt to modify the behavior, thoughts, or attitudes of a student.</p> <p>The use of corporal punishment in any form is strictly prohibited in the Palmyra Area School District. No student will be subject to the infliction of corporal punishment by any teacher, other student, administrator, or other school personnel.</p> <p>No teacher, administrator, student, or other person will subject a student to corporal punishment or condone the use of corporal punishment by any person under his or her supervision or control. Permission to administer corporal punishment will not be sought or accepted from any parent, guardian, or school official.</p> <p>Reasonable force may still be used by school personnel under any of the following circumstances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To quell a disturbance 2. To obtain possession of weapons or other dangerous objects 3. For the purpose of self-defense 4. For the protection of persons or property <p>Reasonable force under these circumstances should never be administered in the heat of anger.</p>
<p>Title 22 Sec. 12.3</p>	<p>The Superintendent shall prepare rules for actions against delinquent children which provide for:</p>
<p>Pol. 233</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Parental conferences; 2. Sequential discipline; 3. Suspension from school attendance in accordance with Board policy;

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<p>Title 22 Sec. 12.3</p> <p>SC 1317</p>	<p>and</p> <p>4. Referral to juvenile authorities</p> <p>The Superintendent shall publish and provide to all students and their parents the rules of this district regarding the code of student conduct and the sanctions which may be imposed for breach of those rules. The code of conduct shall be adopted by the Board. A copy of such shall be made available in each school library.</p> <p>The building principal, assistant principal, and dean of students shall have the authority to assign discipline to students, subject to the rules and regulations of the Superintendent and to the student's due process right to notice, hearing, and appeal.</p> <p>Teaching staff members and other employees of this Board having authority to take such reasonable actions as may be necessary to control the disorderly conduct of students in all situations and in all places where such students are within the jurisdiction of the Board and when such conduct interferes with the educational program of the schools or threatens the health and safety of others.</p> <p><u>Detention of Pupils</u></p> <p>Pupils are assigned to detention by the principal, assistant principal, or dean of students for offenses referred from teacher's rooms, study halls, lunch room or common area or for other offenses of procedure or conduct. Teachers are not permitted to assign pupils to the detention hall as part of their routine disciplinary action. Detention assigned by teachers as a part of their own discipline must take place in the assigned room of the teacher and under that teacher's supervision.</p> <p>Students, when in detention hall, should be doing some assigned schoolwork. Reading or study should be so assigned by the supervising teacher. Total quiet is expected during this time.</p> <p>The assistant principal will assign the room or rooms to be used for detention hall, and likewise will assign supervision.</p>
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