

Community Relations

Public Conduct On School Property

The School District expects mutual respect, civility, and orderly conduct among all individuals on school property or at a school event. No person on school property or at a school event shall:

1. Injure, threaten, harass, or intimidate a staff member, a School Board member, or any other person;
2. Damage or threaten to damage another's property;
3. Damage or deface School District property;
4. Violate any Illinois law, or town or county ordinance;
5. Smoke or otherwise use tobacco products;
6. Consume, possess, distribute, or be under the influence of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs, or possess dangerous devices or weapons;
7. Impede, delay, or otherwise interfere with the orderly conduct of the District's educational program or any other activity occurring on school property;
8. Enter upon any portion of school premises at any time for purposes other than those that are lawful and authorized by the School Board;
9. Operate a motor vehicle: (a) in a risky manner, (b) in excess of 20 miles per hour, or (c) in violation of an authorized District employee's directive;
10. Engage in any risky behavior, including roller-blading, roller-skating, or skateboarding;
11. Violate other District policies or regulations, or an authorized District employee's directive.

"School property" means school buildings, vehicles used for school purposes, and school grounds.

State law prohibits a child sex offender from:

- Being present in any school building, on school grounds, in any school vehicle, or at school related activity, or
- Loitering on a public way within 500 feet of school property,

when persons under the age of 18 are present, unless the offender is a parent/guardian of a student present in the building, on the grounds, or in the vehicle, or unless the offender has permission to be present from the Superintendent or the School Board. If permission is granted, the Superintendent or Board President shall provide the details of the offender's upcoming visit to the Building Principal. The Superintendent, or designee who is a certified employee, shall supervise a sex offender whenever the offender is in a child's vicinity.

As circumstances warrant, the District's administrators shall take appropriate action in enforcement of this policy. Violations will be handled as follows:

- Anyone observing a student violating this policy shall notify the Building Principal where the student is enrolled and the Principal shall take whatever action is appropriate under the student conduct code.
- The supervisor of any employee violating this policy shall take whatever action is appropriate according to personnel rules and bargaining agreements, if any.
- Anyone observing a parent/guardian or other person violating this policy shall immediately notify the Building Principal or designee. The Principal or designee will request that the person act civilly or otherwise refrain from the prohibited conduct. If the person persists with uncivil or prohibited behavior, the principal shall request that the person immediately leave school property and may contact law enforcement, if appropriate.

Requests to access a school building, facility, and/or educational program, or to interview personnel or a student for purposes of assessing the student's special education needs, should be made at the appropriate building. Access shall be facilitated according to guidelines from the Superintendent or designee.

LEGAL REF.: Pro-Children Act of 1994, 20 U.S.C. §7181 et seq.
105 ILCS 5/10-20.5b and 5/24-24.
720 ILCS 5/11-9.3.

CROSS REF.: 6:250, 7:190, 8:20, 8:40, 8:50

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