

### **CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT**

The items in this Code are applicable to misconduct by a student that occurs on property owned or controlled by the District and off of property owned or controlled by the District but that is connected to activities or incidents that have occurred on property owned or controlled by the District and misconduct by a student that, regardless of where it occurs, is directed at a District official or employee or the property of such official or employee and all students when properly under the authority of school personnel during a school activity, function, or event whether on property owned, rented, or maintained by the Board of Education or property owned, rented, or maintained by another party. Additionally, the provisions of this Code shall apply to students if the prohibited act(s) takes place while on properties immediately adjacent to school property, within the line of sight of school property, on school transportation, or if the act affects the operation of the schools.

This Code shall also be inclusive for the right to exercise authority and for personal and property protection of administrators, teachers, librarians, or clerks, substitute teachers, teacher aides, monitors, authorized volunteers, tutors, secretaries, cooks, custodians, bus drivers, visitors, or other authorized school personnel.

Violation by a student of any one or more of the following rules of conduct may result in disciplinary action(s), which may include detention, parental contact, referral to legal authorities, emergency removal, disciplinary removal, suspension, expulsion, or permanent exclusion. A student may be suspended pending the outcome of expulsion proceedings.

1. AIDING & ABETTING – An involvement (active or passive) with another student or students engaged in prohibited activities.
2. ARSON/FIREARMS OR OTHER WEAPONS/FALSE ALARMS AND/OR THREATS – An act of arson or unauthorized use, possession, transfer, or disposal of firearms or other weapons, initiating without cause a fire alarm, reporting a fire, or false reporting of an impending bombing or catastrophe.
3. ATTENDANCE – Truancy or unexcused absence from class or school or excessive tardiness to class or school.
4. BUS CONDUCT – Violation of the rules of conduct on the school bus.
5. COMPUTER USAGE – Violation of the school’s computer lab policy and/or the District’s acceptable use policy.
6. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES – Violations of specific provisions of federal, state, or local statutes.

7. DISHONESTY – Cheating on tests or school assignments, forging school and/or parental documents, falsifying information, plagiarism or committing fraud.
8. DISRESPECT – Rude or disrespectful behavior or failure to cooperate with other students or school personnel.
9. DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR – Disruption of the classroom, school, school grounds, or school activities or functions.
10. FIGHTING/ASSAULT/PHYSICAL VIOLENCE – To intentionally cause or threaten to cause physical or emotional harm to another student or behave in such a manner as to present an eminent risk of such harm. Causing or attempting to cause harm to oneself is included within.
11. FIREWORKS/DANGEROUS INSTRUMENTS OR MATERIALS – The use, threatened use, or possession of fireworks or explosives, including matches and lighters; possession/use of mace, pepper spray or laser pointers (examples).
12. GAMBLING – Playing games of chance which involve wagering.
13. HARASSMENT – Harassment includes, but is not limited to, any act which subjects an individual or group to unwanted abusive behavior of a nonverbal, verbal, written, or physical nature. An act that injures, degrades, or disgraces or attempts to injure, degrade, or disgrace a student falls within this category. Examples of, but not inclusive, include the following: sexual harassment, bullying, intimidation, coercion, hazing, spreading rumors, name calling and menacing.
14. INAPPROPRIATE LANGUAGE/MATERIALS – The use of profane, vulgar, or other improper language, gestures, comments, or material, or the possession of any profane, vulgar, obscene, or other improper objects or material.
15. INCITING – Inciting to riot or to disrupt or attempt to disrupt the operation of the school.
16. ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES – Sale, possession, intent to sell, or intent to make a purchase, concealment, or uses of any substance containing betel nut or illegal drugs, counterfeit controlled substances, look-a-like substances, drug paraphernalia, inhalants, consumables, near beer or alcoholic beverages or the unauthorized use and/or distribution of over-the-counter medication or prescription medication. Evidence of any use is a violation. (Ex: E-cigarettes, vapor devices, and e-liquids are prohibited.)
17. INSUBORDINATION – The failure to comply with directions of school personnel or acting in defiance of authority, including intentional interference with the performance of

a teacher's duties or failure to identify oneself to school personnel when requested. Also included within is the failure to accept discipline or punishment from appropriate school personnel.

18. LOITERING/TRESPASSING – Occupation of, or loitering on, near, or around school property or unauthorized areas without authorization.
19. REPEATED VIOLATIONS – Repeated violations of the code of behavior.
20. RULES – Violation of rules and policies of the classroom, school, and the Revere Board of Education.
21. SEXUAL CONTACT – Defined as any touching of an erogenous zone of another or public display of affection.
22. SCHOOL PERSONNEL – Harassment, vandalism, physical abuse, theft, or other disruptive or destructive behavior toward school personnel during school and non-school time regardless of the location.
23. THEFT – Confiscate, possess, or steal private or public property of the school or another individual.
24. TOBACCO – Use and/or possession of tobacco products in the school buildings, within sight of the school buildings, on school grounds, or in areas in which school sponsored activities are taking place. (Ex: E-cigarettes and vapor devices are prohibited.)
25. UNAUTHORIZED TOUCHING – Touching another person without permission or consent.
26. UNAUTHORIZED MATERIALS – Publication or distribution of unauthorized material. This includes postings throughout the school and school grounds.
27. VANDALISM – The destruction or defacing of public or private property.
28. WEAPONS – Possession, concealment, use, threat of use, or exhibition of a firearm or other weapon, or look-a-like weapon. A weapon is defined as either an item designed to inflict injury or an item designed for another purpose then converted to a weapon through its use.

Students found in violation of any section of this code of conduct may be immediately removed from school and recommended to the Superintendent for expulsion.

Parents of students suspended out-of-school for ANY length of time may be asked to personally return the child to school and meet with the principal/designee and/or guidance personnel before he/she is readmitted.

LEGAL REFS: O.R.C. §§3109.09, 3109.10, 3313.661

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