

## **STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Student rights and responsibilities shall be published in the Parent-Student Handbook and will be made available in another language or presented orally upon request. Student disciplinary procedures will be implemented pursuant to the provisions of Board Policies JIC and JICD.

The privileges and rights of all students shall be guaranteed without regard to age, race, religion, sex, creed, gender identity, sexual orientation, color, marital status, familial status, physical or mental disability, or national origin.

### **STUDENT RIGHTS**

1. All students have the right to receive an education.
2. All students have the right to attend school in the district in which they reside or as assigned by the school board.
3. All students have the right to expect that the school will be a safe and healthful place to gain an education.
4. All students have the right to be informed of the school rules and procedures by which the school is governed.
5. All students in matters of discipline are entitled to treatment that is fair, consistent, and appropriate to the action of the offense.
6. All students have the right of due process in disciplinary matters resulting in suspension from school.
7. All students shall have the right to peaceably and responsibly advocate change of any law, policy, or regulation. Adequate opportunities shall be provided for students to exercise their rights through channels established for considering such complaints.

### **STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. All students have the responsibility to attend school daily and to be punctual in reporting to school classes.
2. All students have the responsibility to assist the school staff in running a safe and healthful school.
3. All students have the responsibility to apply themselves to their school work, complete assignments on time, respect school property, conduct themselves properly, and to be willing to work for self-improvement.
4. All students have the responsibility to be aware of all the rules and regulations for student behavior and to conduct themselves in accordance with them.

5. All students have the responsibility to dress in accordance with the dress code in a manner that is both neat and clean, and which does not create a distracting hazard to himself/herself or to others.
6. All students are responsible to exercise their rights of due process and to pursue their grievances according to the orderly process established by the school for those purposes.
7. All students exercising their rights to freedom of expression through speech, assembly, petition and other lawful means must not interfere with the rights of others. Freedom of expression may not be utilized to present material, which is obscene or slanderous, or to defame character, or to advocate violation of federal, state and local laws, or official school policies, rules and regulations.

Legal References:

*RSA 189:15, Regulations*

*NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed 306.04(a)(3), Student Discipline*

*NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed 306.04(f), Student Discipline*

*NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed 317.04(b), Disciplinary Procedures*

Legal References Disclaimer: *These references are not intended to be considered part of this policy, nor should they be taken as a comprehensive statement of the legal basis for the Board to enact this policy, nor as a complete recitation of related legal authority. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.*

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