

Community Relations

Relations Between Public and School Personnel

Public Conduct at School Activities

School sponsored or approved activities are an important part of the program and offer students the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities not available during the regular school day.

Spectators are permitted and encouraged to attend these activities as guests of the District, and, accordingly as a condition of such permission they must comply with the District's rules and policies. Spectators will not be allowed to interfere with the enjoyment of the students participating, other spectators or with the performance of employees and officials supervising the school sponsored or approved activities. Spectators, like the student participants, are expected to display mature behavior and sportsmanship. The failure of spectators to do so is disruptive and embarrassing to students, the District and the entire community.

Any individual who behaves in an unsportsmanlike or disruptive manner during an athletic or co-curricular event may be ejected from the event. Examples of unsportsmanlike or disruptive conduct include, but are not limited to:

- Using vulgar or obscene language or gestures;
- Possessing or being under the influence of any alcoholic beverage or illegal substance;
- Possessing a weapon;
- Fighting or otherwise striking or threatening another person;
- Failing to obey the instructions of a security officer, law enforcement officer or school district employee; and
- Engaging in any activity, which is illegal or disruptive.
- Use of tobacco and tobacco products

The Board has developed the following steps for due process should a violation occur:

1. The person in violation will be directed to leave the event by an administrator or designee and/or law enforcement officers. Written documentation by the administrator or designee and/or law enforcement officers detailing the violation will be submitted to the Superintendent or his/her designee within forty-eight (48) hours. A letter from the Superintendent or his/her designee will be sent to the person in violation along with a copy of this Board policy.
2. Upon the Superintendent's review of the written documentation, should he/she deem that further action is required, a hearing with the Superintendent and administrator or designee and/or law enforcement officers and other staff members involved may be scheduled and the person in violation will be notified of the hearing in writing.

(cf. [1250](#) – Visits to the Schools)

(cf. [1316](#) – Conduct on School Property)

(cf. [1331](#) – Smoke Free Environment)

(cf. 3517.2 – Vandalism)

(cf. [5131.5](#) – Vandalism)
(cf. [5131.61](#) – Drug, Tobacco and Alcohol)
(cf. [5131.911](#) – Bullying)
(cf. [5145.5](#) – Sexual Harassment)

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

[1](#)-225 Meetings of the government agents to be public

[1](#)-232 Conduct of the meeting

[10](#)-220 Duties of boards of education

[10](#)-221 Boards of education to prescribe rule(s), policies, and procedures

[10](#)-239 Use of school facilities for other purposes.

[53a](#)-185 Loitering in or about school grounds: Class C misdemeanor.

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