

The District believes that a positive learning environment is based on a foundation of respect and effective discipline. The District cannot and will not accept nor tolerate behaviors or actions of students that are disrespectful of the basic rights of others, that endanger health or safety, that are disruptive to the teaching and learning process, and that do not respect the property of the District or others.

Building principals, teachers and other designated staff shall be authorized to discipline students for misconduct in accordance with Board policies and school rules.

Sound disciplinary measures shall be used in the District, taking into account the dignity of the student, the seriousness of the infraction, and the need for positive motivation of students. The ultimate goal is to help students develop an understanding of self-discipline and its necessity in a civilized society.

The District shall not unlawfully discriminate in disciplinary actions, including suspensions and expulsions, on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, any physical, mental, emotional or learning disability, or any other legally-protected status or classification. Discrimination complaints shall be processed in accordance with established procedures.

Legal References:

Wisconsin Statutes

Section 115.787(3)	[individualized education program for students with disabilities; positive behavior interventions and supports]
Section 118.13	[student discrimination prohibited]
Section 118.16(4)(c)	[assignment of student to detention/supervised study for truancy]
Section 118.164	[student removal from class]
Section 118.31	[staff use of physical force; corporal punishment prohibited]
Section 120.13(1)	[school board power to discipline students, including suspension and expulsion]

Wisconsin Administrative Code

PI 9.03 (1)	[student nondiscrimination in student discipline policies]
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Federal Laws

20 U.S.C. Chapter 33	[Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA); programs and services for students with disabilities; includes requirements related to change of placements; IDEA regulations at 34 C.F.R. Part 300]
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Cross References:

WASB PRG 447 Sample Policy 1
411-Rule (1), Student Discrimination/Harassment Complaint Procedures
447.1 Staff Use of Physical Force, Physical Restraint and Seclusion
447.11 Use of Seclusion and Restraint
447.2 Student Detention
447.3 Student Suspensions

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447.31 In-school Suspensions

447.4 Student Expulsion and Early Reinstatement of Expelled Students

447.5 Student Discipline, Suspension, and Expulsion - Students with Disabilities

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