
Corporal Punishment**

The use of corporal punishment in any form is strictly prohibited in the district. No student will be subject to the infliction of corporal punishment.

“Corporal punishment” is defined as the willful infliction of, or willfully causing the infliction of, physical pain. Corporal punishment does not include the use of physical force authorized in ORS 161.205 (2), (4) or (5) for the reasons specified therein, or physical pain or discomfort resulting from or caused by participation in athletic competition or other such recreational activity voluntarily engaged in by a student.

~~Corporal punishment does not include physical pain or discomfort resulting from or caused by:~~

- ~~1. Training for or participation in athletic competition voluntarily engaged in by a student;~~
- ~~2. Recreational activity voluntarily engaged in by a student;~~
- ~~3. Physical exertion shared by all students in a teacher directed class activity, which may include, but is not limited to, physical education exercises, field trips, or vocational education projects; or~~
- ~~4. Physical restraint or seclusion when used as provided in Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 339.291 and Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 581-021-0553.~~

No teacher, administrator, other school personnel or school volunteer will subject a student to corporal punishment or condone the use of corporal punishment by any person under ~~his/her their~~ supervision or control. Permission to administer corporal punishment will not be sought or accepted from any parent/guardian, person in parental relationship or school official.

A staff member is authorized to employ reasonable physical force upon a student only to the extent that the application of physical force is consistent with ORS 339.285 – 339.303 and is not corporal punishment as defined in ORS 339.250(9). ~~when, in his/her professional judgment, the physical force is necessary to prevent a student from harming self, others or doing harm to district property.~~ Physical force shall not be used to discipline or punish a student.

A staff member found in violation of this policy may be subject to discipline up to and including dismissal. A volunteer found in violation of this policy by administration may be subject to sanctions and/or prohibited from volunteer service in the district.

The superintendent shall inform all staff members and volunteers of this policy.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 161.205](#)

[ORS 332.107](#)

[ORS 339.240](#)

[ORS 339.250](#)

[OAR 581-021](#)-0050 to -0075

[OAR 584-020](#)-0040

Cross Reference(s):

JGAB - Use of Restraint and Seclusion