

**Lakeland Joint School District No. 272****Students  
Student Discipline**

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10. Using, possessing, controlling, or transferring a weapon in violation of the "Possession of Weapons in a School Building" section of this policy;
11. Using, possessing, controlling, or transferring any object that reasonably could be considered or used as a weapon;
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13. Disobeying directives from staff members or school officials and/or rules and regulations governing student conduct;
14. Using violence, force, noise, coercion, threats, intimidation, fear, or other comparable conduct toward anyone or urging other students to engage in such conduct;
15. Causing or attempting to cause damage to, or stealing or attempting to steal, school property or another person's property;
16. Engaging in any activity that constitutes disorderly conduct, an interference with school purposes or an educational function or which is disruptive to the educational environment;

17. Unexcused absenteeism; however, the truancy statutes and Board policy will be utilized for chronic and habitual truants;
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19. Hazing (as defined in District Policy 3295P);
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24. Use of an electronic communications device in violation of District Policy 3265;
25. The forging of any signature, or the making of any false entry, or the authorization of any document used or intended to be used in connection with the operation of the school;

These grounds for disciplinary action apply whenever the student's conduct is reasonably related to school or school activities, including, but not limited to:

1. On, or within sight of, school grounds before, during, or after school hours or at any other time when the school is being used by a school group;
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4. Anywhere, including off-campus, if the conduct may reasonably be considered to be a threat or an attempted intimidation of a staff member, or an interference with the education environment.

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A teacher shall have the power to adopt any reasonable rule or regulation to control and maintain discipline in, and otherwise govern, the classroom, not inconsistent with any statute or rule or regulation of the board of trustees.

#### Disciplinary Measures

Disciplinary measures are designed to correct and address the student's misbehavior and include, but are not limited to, the following:

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6. Loss of bus privileges;
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In the event a student is removed from the classroom:

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Then the child's parent(s) or guardian(s) shall be contacted and made aware of the circumstances and situation.

No person who is employed or engaged by the District may inflict, or cause to be inflicted, corporal punishment on a student. Corporal punishment does not include reasonable force as needed to maintain safety for other students, school personnel, or other persons, or for the purpose of self-defense.

#### Temporary Suspension

The superintendent or building principal may temporarily suspend any student for disciplinary reasons, including student harassment, intimidation, bullying, or cyberbullying, or for other conduct disruptive of good order or of the instructional effectiveness of the school.

Prior to temporarily suspending any student, the superintendent or principal shall hold an informal hearing on the reasons for the suspension. During an informal hearing, parents and students have the opportunity to challenge the reasons for a temporary suspension.

Due process procedures are as follows:

1. Student interviews will take place, where all students involved will have an opportunity to tell their side of the story.
2. Decisions made about discipline will take into consideration the available evidence and not be based on arbitrary judgement.
3. Students and their parents or guardians will be notified of the consequences. In the case of a school suspension, the parents or guardians will be notified by the assigning administrator. Policy 3330F3, Notice of Temporary Suspension will be provided for an out of school suspension.

A temporary suspension shall not exceed five (5) school days. The superintendent may extend the temporary suspension an additional ten (10) school days. The Board may extend the temporary suspension for five (5) more additional school days upon a finding

that immediate return to school attendance by the temporarily suspended student would be detrimental to other students' health, welfare, or safety.

Any student who has been temporarily suspended may be readmitted to the school pursuant to the terms of a behavioral support plan. The Board of Trustees shall be notified of any temporary suspensions, the reasons therefore, and the response, if any.

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If a student's behavior or expressed intent suggests an immediate threat to school safety, or a substantial disruption of the educational environment, the student *may* be temporarily removed from school pending the completion of a threat assessment by the designated threat assessment team. This temporary removal is a safety measure, not a disciplinary action, and will be implemented only when the student's presence poses an imminent risk, in accordance with district procedures.

### Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying and Cyberbullying

Students engaging in harassment, intimidation, bullying, and/or cyberbullying shall be subject to Policy 3295 and Policy 3295P. The District reserves the right to appropriately address the conduct at issue and move directly to suspension or expulsion proceedings.

### Gun-Free Schools

A student who uses, possesses, controls, or transfers a firearm, or any object that can reasonably be considered to be or look like a firearm, (a) while on school property or in those portions of any building, stadium, or other structure on school grounds, (b) at an activity sponsored by or through a school in this State, (c) while riding school provided transportation, or (d) while attending or participating in any school sponsored activity, program, or event regardless of location, may be expelled for a period of not less than one (1) year.

The Board may modify the expulsion period, on a case-by-case basis, as determined by the outcome of an expulsion hearing. The building administrator shall notify the appropriate law enforcement agency of any student who brings a firearm to school.

If a student violating this policy is identified as disabled, either under the IDEA or Section 504, a determination must be made whether the student's conduct is related to the disability. If the violation of the policy is due to a disability recognized by the IDEA or Section 504, lawful procedures for changes in placement must be followed.

Any student subject to an expulsion shall be entitled to a formal hearing before the Board of Trustees, in accordance with Idaho Code and Board policy.

### Exceptions to Gun-Free Schools

1. A firearm that is lawfully stored inside a locked vehicle on school property is an exception for any adult over eighteen (18) years of age and not enrolled in a public or private elementary or secondary school who has lawful possession of a

firearm or other deadly or dangerous weapon, secured and locked in his or her vehicle in an unobtrusive, non-threatening manner.

2. Possession of firearms and dangerous weapons in Federal facilities shall not apply to the lawful carrying of firearms or other dangerous weapons in a Federal facility incident to hunting or other lawful purposes is an exception. (Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 930 (d) (3))

### Possession of a Weapon on School Property

It shall be unlawful for any person to possess a firearm or other deadly or dangerous weapon while on school property or in those portions of any building, stadium, or other structure on school grounds which, at the time of the violation, are being used for an activity sponsored by or through a school in this State or while riding school provided transportation. This also applies to students of schools while attending or participating in any school sponsored activity, program, or event regardless of location.

As used in this section of this Policy only:

1. "Deadly or dangerous weapon" means any weapon as defined in United States Code. Such term does not include a pocket knife with a blade of less than 2½ inches in length; and
2. "Firearm" means any firearm as defined in United States Code.

Any person who possesses, carries, or stores a weapon in a school building or on school property, except as provided below, shall be referred to law enforcement and face disciplinary action by the District.

The Board of Trustees may grant persons and entities advance permission to possess, carry, or store a weapon in a school building. All persons who wish to possess, carry, or store a weapon in a school building shall present this request to the Board of Trustees in a regular meeting. Granting permission is at the sole discretion of the Board of Trustees.

In the event a deadly or dangerous weapon, firearm, and/or other harmful objects are brought to school, or found on school property but not reported, the Principal shall proceed with the investigative processes identified under the temporary suspension section to determine the level of threat assessment to proceed with.

This section of this policy does not apply to:

1. Law enforcement personnel;
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Other Reference:

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~~In the case that a threat assessment is required, the following steps will be taken:~~

- ~~1. Upon hearing information regarding any threat, the building principal may take any necessary steps to ensure student safety based on the information they have. This includes out of school suspension for any student accused of making a threat. In the case a student is suspended prior to an informal hearing, the informal hearing should take place as soon as is safely possible, even if it is completed via alternative means if the student cannot be at school. At this time, the school level team should notify the district office of the situation and continue to update the district office as needed.~~
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