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Pittsfield School District

STUDENT DISCIPLINE: OUT-OF-SCHOOL ACTIONS

The Board recognizes that out-of-school and off-campus student conduct is not normally the concern of the Board. However, the Board also recognizes that some out-of-school and off-campus conduct may have an adverse effect upon the school, school property, or school staff.

Therefore, it shall be the policy of the Board that the Board or school administrators may impose disciplinary measures against students for some out-of-school or off-campus conduct.

Discipline may be imposed if, in the dean of operation's opinion, such out-of-school conduct causes a significant disruption or substantial interference with the school's educational mission, purpose, or objectives. Additionally, any off-campus or out-of-school behavior that has a strong potential to disrupt normal school operations may also be met with appropriate disciplinary actions by the Board or school administrators.

Out-of-school and off-campus student conduct that may subject a student to discipline includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. Damaging school property;
- 2. Violence at or near the school's bus stop, either before or after the school day;
- 3. Drinking alcohol, using tobacco products, or using illegal drugs at or near the school bus stop, either before or after the school day;
- 4. Damaging the private property of school staff or employees;
- 5. Documented instance of the stalking of a student or employee; or
- 6. Any other activity the Board or administration determines impedes the general welfare or scholastic activities.

<u>Cyber-Bullying and Internet Threats</u>. Reports and/or allegations of cyberbullying will be addressed in accordance with the provisions of Policy JICK – Student Safety and Violence Prevention.

Consistent with applicable law, the district will not require or request that a student disclose or provide the district with the student's user name, password, or other authenticating information to a student's personal social media account.

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However, the district may request of a student or a student's parent/guardian that the student voluntarily share printed copies of specific information from a student's personal social media account if such information is relevant to an ongoing district investigation.

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