

## Students

### **STUDENT DISCIPLINE / INFRACTIONS / SOCIAL EVENTS 5144**

In all activities sponsored by the schools, the administration shall establish standards of conduct for the students, and make these standards known to the entire study body.

Students, teachers, and administrators have the right to expect mutual courtesy, fair and equitable treatment, and to be informed of their rights and their responsibilities. The staff of the Fairfield Public Schools strives to assist students to develop the ability for self-direction and self-discipline. However, those students who infringe upon the rights of others or who violate school policies and regulations will be subject to corrective action. In all cases the rights of students will be preserved and protected.

The administration of each individual school is given the authority to take appropriate action to ensure compliance with Board policy as stated above. Appropriate action may include, although it is not limited to, one or more of the following:

- conference with the student and/or teacher and/or guidance counselor;
- conference with the parent or guardian;
- referral to building and/or central planning and placement team;
- referral to social and community agencies;
- internal or external suspension of student; and/or
- recommended expulsion of student.

Corporal punishment as a disciplinary measure is prohibited in the Fairfield Public Schools. Notwithstanding this, physical force may be used to quell a disturbance, which threatens physical injury to others, to obtain possession of weapons or other dangerous objects, for the purpose of self-defense, and for the protection of persons and property.

School personnel shall deal with infractions of school rules according to administrative regulations.

The building administrators shall notify the police department of all crimes of a serious nature, such as carrying a weapon, assault with a weapon, possession of a controlled substance, vandalism on school grounds, and larceny.

The administration will develop a Code of Behavior, which will be communicated to students and parents or guardians through annual publication in the individual schools' student handbook