

VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

BOARD POLICY NO. 5144

ADOPTED: 02/24/97

CLASSIFICATION: Students

REVISED: 05/29/12

SUBJECT: Discipline

The Governing Board desires to prepare students for responsible citizenship by fostering self-discipline and personal responsibility. The Board believes that high expectations for student behavior and effective classroom management can minimize the need for discipline. Staff shall use preventative measures and positive behavior intervention support techniques whenever possible. In addition, discipline shall be used in a manner that corrects student behavior without intentionally creating an adverse effect on student learning or health.

At all times, the safety of students and staff and the maintenance of an orderly school environment shall be priorities in determining appropriate discipline. When misconduct occurs, staff shall attempt to identify the causes of the student's behavior and implement appropriate discipline. Persistently disruptive students may be assigned to alternative programs or removed from school in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

Staff shall enforce disciplinary rules fairly, consistently, and in accordance with the district's nondiscrimination policies.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide professional development as necessary to assist staff in developing consistent classroom management skills, implementing effective disciplinary techniques, and establishing cooperative relationships with parents/guardians.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

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| 32280-32288 | School safety plans |
| 35146 | Closed sessions |
| 35291 | Rules |
| 35291.5-35291.7 | School-adopted discipline rules |
| 37223 | Weekend classes |
| 44807.5 | Restriction from recess |
| 48900-48926 | Suspension and expulsion |
| 48980-48985 | Notification of parent/guardian |
| 49000-49001 | Prohibition of corporal punishment |
| 49330-49335 | Injurious objects |

CIVIL CODE

1714.1 Parental liability for child's misconduct

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

307 Participation in school activities until departure of bus

353 Detention after school