

Joint School District No. 171

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Entrance, Placement, and Transfer

Entrance, Date, and Age

No pupil may be enrolled in the kindergarten or first grade whose fifth or sixth birthday respectively does not occur on or before the first day of September of the school year in which the child registers to enter school. Any child of the age of five years who has completed a private or public out-of-state kindergarten for the required 450 hours but has not reached the age and date requirements set forth above shall be allowed to enter the first grade.

Initial Enrollment

Immunization records or an appropriate waiver and birth certificate are required for admission to all District schools (subject to provisions of McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, see District Policy 3060).

If a birth certificate is not provided upon enrollment of a student for the first time in elementary or secondary school, the District shall notify the person enrolling the student in writing that he or she must provide within 30 days either a certified copy of the student's birth certificate or other reliable proof of the student's identity and birth date, which proof shall be accompanied by an affidavit explaining the inability to produce a copy of the birth certificate. Other reliable proof of the student's identity and birth date may include a passport, visa, or other governmental documentation of the child's identity. If the person enrolling a student fails to provide the information within the requested 30 days, the District shall immediately notify the local law enforcement agency of such failure and again notify the person enrolling the student, in writing, that he or she has an additional ten days to comply. If any documentation or affidavit received pursuant to this section appears inaccurate or suspicious in form or content, the District shall immediately report the matter to the local law enforcement agency. Local law enforcement will investigate these reports. Failure of a parent, or person in custody of a child, or a person enrolling a student, to comply with the documentation requirements of this section after a lawful request shall constitute a misdemeanor.

A student transferring schools within the District need not provide proof of identity and birth date if the student's record already contains such verified information.

Placement

The goal of the District shall be to place students at levels and in settings that will enhance the probability of student success. Developmental testing together with other relevant criteria, including but not limited to health, maturity, emotional stability, and developmental disabilities,

may be considered in the placement of all students. Final disposition of all placement decisions rests with the principal, subject to review by the Superintendent and the Board.

Transfer

District policies regulating pupil enrollment from other accredited elementary and secondary schools are designed to protect the educational welfare of the child and of other children enrolled in the District.

Elementary Grades (K-8): Any student transferring into the District will be admitted and placed on a probationary basis for a period of two weeks.

Should any doubt exist with teacher and/or principal as to grade and level placement of the student, the student shall be subject to an educational assessment to determine appropriate grade and level placement.

During the two-week probationary period, the student will be subject to observation by the teacher and building principal.

Secondary Grades (9-12), Credit Transfer: Requests for transfer of credits from any secondary school shall be subject to a satisfactory examination of the following:

1. Appropriate certificates of accreditation;
2. Length of course, school day, and school year;
3. Content of applicable courses;
4. The school facility as it relates to credit earned (i.e., lab areas for appropriate science or vocational instruction);
5. An appropriate evaluation of student performance leading toward credit issuance; and
6. Final approval of transfer credits will be determined by the high school principal, subject to review upon approval by the Superintendent and Board of Trustees.

Transfer from Persistently Dangerous Schools

If any school within the District is found to be persistently dangerous in accordance with federal law, students attending the school shall be permitted to transfer to another traditional or charter school within the District which is not persistently dangerous. The transfer may be either permanent or temporary and lasting until the school of origin is no longer designated as persistently dangerous. Parents or guardians of students shall be notified that the school has been designated as persistently dangerous within ten days of being so designated. Within 20 days of receiving such notification, students may be transferred to another school within the District.

Any student who is the victim of a violent criminal offense on school grounds shall be permitted to transfer to another school within the District.

Cross Reference: 3060 Education of Homeless Children
4160 Parents Right-to-Know Notices

Legal Reference: Art. IX, § 9, Idaho Constitution- Compulsory Attendance at School
I.C. § 18-4511 School Duties—Records of Missing Child—Identification
Upon Enrollment—Transfer of Student Records
I.C. § 33-201 School Age
I.C. § 33-209 Transfer of Student Records – Duties
I.C. § 39-4801 Immunization required
I.C. § 39-4802 Immunization Exemptions
20 U.S.C. § 7912 Unsafe School Choice
20 USC § 6313 Eligible School Attendance Areas
42 USC § 11432 Education of Homeless Children and Youths

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Open Enrollment

The School Board of Trustees recognizes that some of its patrons may want to enroll their children in a school that is located within a district other than where their primary residence is located. Therefore, this policy is adopted to allow all in-District and out-of-District patrons to choose among this District's schools under specified conditions. In making a decision on a student's open enrollment application, the Board of Trustees shall consider the needs of the student requesting the transfer as well as the other students affected by the transfer. A student currently under suspension or expulsion in this District or another district is not eligible for open enrollment under this policy.

Transportation

Parents/guardians of a student accepted under this open enrollment policy will be responsible for transporting the accepted student. If bus space is available, then students accepted under the open enrollment policy may be transported from an appropriate, established bus stop within the District's boundaries.

Varsity Sports

It is recommended that a student who is considering submitting an open enrollment application to this District, and who anticipates participating in a sport governed by the Idaho High School Activities Association (IHSAA) review IHSAA rules prior to submitting their open enrollment application. Certain school transfers could lead to a student being ineligible to play at the varsity level for one year.

Application/Approval Process

An open enrollment application must be submitted annually for admission to a specific school. Applications will be accepted from January 1 to February 1 of each year for enrollment in the subsequent school year. The application acceptance period may be waived with the mutual agreement of Joint School District No. 171 and the district in which the student's parent or guardian resides or between principals for an in-District transfer. It is the School Board's intent to allow waiver of the application acceptance period for continuous acceptance of open enrollment applications when classroom space is available.

The Superintendent shall establish a procedure for:

1. The method of determining which students are chosen when classroom space is limited;
2. Notifying parents of the action taken on the open enrollment application;
3. The factors which may cause an open enrollment application to be denied; and
4. The process for removing a student from a transfer school, including the grounds for

removal, parent notification, and the appeal process.

Re-enrollment

As long as a transfer student continues to reapply for enrollment, the Superintendent shall treat that student as if he or she resides in that school's attendance area, except in the circumstances described below. To the extent possible, the Superintendent shall expedite the enrollment process.

In situations where class space is limited, the Superintendent may give priority to certain students. Priorities may include, but are not limited to situations where a student:

1. Resides in the District and seeks enrollment in another District school under the provisions of the No Child Left Behind Act;
2. Was previously enrolled at the requested school during the prior year;
3. Has a brother or sister enrolled at the requested school;
4. Resides in the attendance area of another District school;
5. Has parents employed by the District; or
6. Has a unique situation or extraordinary circumstances.

The Superintendent may deny an open enrollment request when such enrollment would negatively impact the efficient use of the District resources. The Superintendent may set numerical limits defining hardship for schools, grade levels, or programs to provide for appropriate and efficient use of facilities and staff. The student to teacher ratios shall not exceed the overloaded class/teacher limits outlined in the Class Size policy #2240.

Revocation of a Transfer

Transfer students are required to comply with all District policies. Unacceptable behaviors by a transfer student or false or misleading information on their open enrollment application are grounds for the District to remove a transfer student at any time. If a student's open enrollment transfer is revoked, the parent/guardian may request an administrative review by the Superintendent. The Board may review the Superintendent's decision.

Student Rights and Responsibilities

All student's rights and responsibilities remain the same regardless of what school they attend within the District and regardless of where the student resides once accepted under the open enrollment policy. If a student who is a resident of another district applies to this District and is accepted under the terms of this policy and fails to attend, they shall be ineligible to apply again for open enrollment in this District.

Preventing or Recruiting Potential Open Enrollment Students

The District or its employees will not take any action to prohibit or prevent application by a student to attend school in another school district or to attend another school within the District.

In no event is the District, or an employee of the District to recruit students outside of their attendance area. Violation of this policy may involve disciplinary action up to and including dismissal.

Evaluation of Policy

Annually, the Superintendent shall report to the Board the effect of this policy. His or her report should include the number of open enrollment requests accepted or denied by each school, the reasons for denial, and any unanticipated results of this policy.

Cross Reference: 2240

Class Size

Legal Reference: I.C. §33-512

Governance of Schools

I.C. §33-1401

Transfer of Pupils Definitions

I.C. §33-1402

Enrollment Options

I.C. §33-1404

Districts to Receive Pupils

I.C. §33-2001

Exceptional Children Definitions

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OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATION

DATE/TIME RECEIVED: _____

For School Year 20____ - 20____
Grade _____

This application form (approved March 2000) was prepared pursuant to Section 33-1402, Idaho Code, and may be used by any school district. Any other form must be approved the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

NOTE: For out-of-district applicants, a copy of the applicant student's cumulative record must be attached to this application. The cumulative record may be obtained from the student's current school.

() Out-of-District Application Name of District: _____
() In-District Transfer Application

Name of Proposed Receiving School _____

(Some specialized programs are only offered in a limited number of schools, e.g. special education, English Language Learner, etc. Contact the Joint School District No. 171 Programs Office for further information.)

1. Applicant Student's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

2. The school student is presently attending, or would attend if student were in a public school.

Name of School: _____

Address of School: _____

Present Grade Level of Student: _____

3. Has the student ever been suspended or expelled from school or has the student committed a disciplinary violation for which he or she could be suspended or expelled?

Yes_____ No_____

4. Does the student have a history of disciplinary infractions? Yes _____ No _____
If YES, describe the circumstances (including dates and duration): _____

5. Reason(s) for requesting attendance in this school (optional): _____

6. Special and/or unique instructional programs in which the applicant student is currently enrolled. (For example: vocational, foreign language, remedial, special education, gifted/talented, etc.): _____

7. Special and/or unique instructional programs in which the applicant student expects to enroll in at the new school: _____

8. Extracurricular activities in which the applicant wishes to participate: _____

9. Transportation arrangements that will be made by the parent/guardian: _____

10. Parent/Guardian's Name: _____
Parent/Guardian's Address: _____

- Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____
Message Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

I have read the school district procedure on open enrollment, and hereby request that my son/daughter be permitted to attend _____

(Name of Proposed Receiving School)

Parent/guardian's Signature: _____

Misrepresentation of information on this application may result in revocation of the applicant's approval to attend a Joint School District No. 171 school.

Superintendent's or Designee's Signature: _____

PRINCIPAL SIGNATURES

Transfer:_____ (Home School)
 _____ (Receiving School)

Transfer: _____ (Receiving School)

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Open Enrollment Procedures

1. Submitting the Form

- A. Varsity Sport Participation: A student who plans to participate in a varsity sport governed by the Idaho High School Activities Association (IHSAA) should review IHSSA rules prior to submitting an Open Enrollment Application. Certain school transfers will lead to a student being ineligible to play at the varsity level for one year.
- B. Open Enrollment Application forms are available at any Joint School District No. 171 school. Based on mutually agreed upon waivers, Open Enrollment Applications will be accepted at any time throughout the school year, although the general period for accepting applications will be January 1 to February 1 for the following school year. Students who reside in the District and move out of their school attendance zone during the school year must initiate an Open Enrollment request to stay in their school.
- C. For students who reside in Joint School District No. 171, the parent/guardian completes the Open Enrollment Application form and submits it to the principal of their attendance zone school (home school).
- D. For students who reside outside the Joint School District No. 171 boundary, the parent/guardian completes the Open Enrollment Application form and submits it to the principal of the school they wish to attend (receiving school), and the parent/guardian must give notice to the home school.

2. Review Approval Process

- A. **Limited Opening:** Applications will normally be considered on a “first-come first-serve” basis. However, in situations where openings are limited, the Superintendent may give priority if a student:
 - I. Resides in Joint School District No. 171 and seeks enrollment in another District school under the provisions of the No Child Left Behind Act;
 - II. Was previously enrolled at the requested school in a prior year;
 - III. Has a brother or sister enrolled at the requested school;
 - IV. Resides in the attendance area of another District school;
 - V. Has a parent employed by the District; or
 - VI. Has a unique situation or extraordinary circumstances.

B. Factors which may cause an Open Enrollment Application to be denied include:

- I. Lack of available classroom space and/or staff in a school, grade, or program(s);
- II. The current enrollment is at or above the following:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Class/Teacher Load Size</u>
K-1	20
2-3	20
4-6	27
7-12	160 students per teacher per day
Special Education Self-Contained	An average of 6 students per classroom
English Language Learners (ELL)	20 per full-time ELL teacher
Alternative Schools	12 students per classroom

- III. The student has been suspended, expelled, or has committed a disciplinary violation for which he or she could be suspended or expelled;
- IV. The student has a history of documented disciplinary infractions; or
- V. It is determined that information on the Open Enrollment Application has been misrepresented or was incomplete.

C. District resident approval process:

- I. A home school principal makes a recommendation to approve or not to approve the transfer by completing the appropriate section of the Open Enrollment Application form.
- II. The home school principal sends the form to the out-of-attendance area (receiving school) principal.
- III. The receiving school's principal makes a recommendation to approve or not to approve the Open Enrollment request by completing the appropriate section of the Open Enrollment application form.
- IV. The receiving school's principal sends the Open Enrollment Application to the Superintendent of the receiving school.
- V. The Superintendent approves or denies the Open Enrollment request by completing the appropriate section of the Open Enrollment Application form.

D. Out-of-District approval process:

- I. A receiving school's principal makes a recommendation to approve or not approve the transfer by completing the appropriate section of the Open Enrollment Application form.
- II. The receiving school's principal sends the form to his or her Superintendent.
- III. The Superintendent approves or denies the Open Enrollment Application by completing the appropriate section of the Open Enrollment Application form.

3. Parent Notification

- A. When the application is submitted during the enrollment time period, January 1 through February 1, the Superintendent will notify the parent/guardian of his or her decision by March 31.
- B. When the application is submitted outside of the open enrollment time period, notification must be made within 60 days after an application is accepted.
- C. If the request for open enrollment is denied, the denial will include a written explanation. If the application is denied because classroom capacity has been reached at the school of choice, the denial may include information about other schools in the District that are below capacity.

D. The letter approving the request will inform the parents of the following:

- I. Parents must provide transportation or get student to the nearest District bus stop, if space is available;
- II. State law requires reapplication on an annual basis;
- III. Inappropriate behavior in violation of District policies may be grounds for removing the student during the school year; and
- IV. Special education, English Language Learners (ELL), or alternative school students must meet the requirements and the procedures established for those programs.

- 4. Re-enrollment: As long as a transfer student applies for re-enrollment, the Superintendent shall treat that student as if he or she resides in that school's attendance area, except in the circumstances described below.

5. Revocation of a Transfer

- A. As long as a transfer student applies for re-enrollment, the Superintendent shall treat that student as if he or she resides in that school's attendance area. However, the District reserves the right to remove a transfer student at any time because of unacceptable behavior in violation of School District policies or because of false or

misleading information on the open enrollment application.

- B. If a student's transfer is revoked, the parent/guardian may request an administrative review by the Superintendent of the transfer school. The parent/guardian must request the review within five school days of receiving notice that their child's transfer has been revoked.
 - C. The Superintendent of the transfer school must render a decision to the parent/guardian request for review within five school days. The decision of the Superintendent may be appealed to the School Board of Trustees.
6. Student Rights and Responsibilities: Due process for all students remains the same regardless of what school they attend within the District and regardless of where the student resides once accepted under the open enrollment policy. If a student who is a resident of another district, applies to this District and is accepted under the terms of this policy and fails to attend, he or she shall be ineligible to apply again for open enrollment in this District.
7. Preventing or Recruiting Potential Open Enrollment Students: The District or its employees will not take any action to prohibit or prevent application by a student to attend school in another school district or to attend another school within the District. In no event is the District, or an employee of the District to recruit students outside of their attendance area. Violation of this policy may involve disciplinary action up to and including dismissal.

Definition

School Days: Include only those days when school is in session.

Procedure History

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Enrollment and Attendance Records

Since accurate enrollment and attendance records are essential both to obtain State financial reimbursement and to fulfill the District's responsibilities under the attendance laws, staff shall be diligent in maintaining such records.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-1001 Foundation Program - State Aid – Appropriation
Definitions

I.C. § 33-1002E Pupils Attending School in Another State

IDAPA 08.02.01.250.03 Day in Session When Counting Pupils in
Attendance

IDAPA 08.02.01.250.04 Day of Attendance – Kindergarten

IDAPA 08.02.01.250.05 Day of Attendance (ADA) – Grades One Through
Twelve (1-12)

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Enrollment and Attendance Records

Average Daily Attendance

A day of attendance is one in which a pupil is physically present for a full day (at least four hours for grades 1 through 12 and at least two and one-half hours for kindergarten) under the guidance and direction of a teacher or other authorized school personnel while school is in session or is a homebound student under the instruction of a teacher employed by the District.

Average Daily Attendance (ADA) is the aggregate number of days enrolled students are present divided by the number of days of school in the reporting period. Students attending school in another state bordering the student's resident district shall be counted for purposes of ADA. Students for whom no Idaho school district is a home district shall not be counted for purposes of ADA. Funding for districts is based on ADA and must be accurate.

Attendance Accounting

Days present and absent for every student are be recorded in each building for the purpose of informing parents of a student's attendance record.

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Part-Time Attendance/Dual Enrollment

For purposes of this policy the term “non-public school student” is any student who is enrolled in a non-public school (including a home school or private school), enrolled in a public charter school, or enrolled in a post-secondary institution.

Any non-public school student will be allowed to enroll in the District and be entitled to participate in any curricular or extracurricular program, subject to the same requirements as other students who are enrolled full-time in the District and subject to the requirements set forth below in this policy.

Additionally, the District shall have an option for joint enrollment in a regular public school and in an alternative school.

Non-public school students admitted to the District shall only be on school property during the hours of enrollment or as otherwise indicated by the Superintendent or Principal. The District will not be responsible for the student during non-enrollment hours or times. Any transportation needs for such students not provided for otherwise under this policy during the school day shall be the sole responsibility of the student and his or her parents or guardian.

Admittance

The parent/legal guardian of any non-public school student wishing to admit their son or daughter in this District for any academic or nonacademic program must register the student and provide the following prior to acceptance of any such student:

1. Birth certificate;
2. Evidence of residency within the District;
3. Immunization records or an appropriate waiver; and
4. Student records from the previously attended public school, if any, and any other records providing academic background information.

Dual enrolled students may enter any program available to other students subject to the same responsibilities and standards of behavior and performance that apply to any student’s participation.

Extracurricular Activities

The following rules apply for a non-public school student to be eligible to participate in nonacademic school activities, such as extracurricular activities, for which public school students must demonstrate academic proficiency or eligibility:

1. Eligibility standards must be met as with other regular full-time students;
2. The non-public school student must, on any State Board of Education recognized achievement test, portfolio, or other mechanism, demonstrate composite grade-level academic proficiency;
3. The non-public school student must achieve a minimum composite, core, or survey test score within the average or higher than average range as established by the test service utilized on any nationally-normed test. The minimum score on each assessment is the fifth stanine for the battery total score. The parents or guardian of a dual enrollment student are responsible for obtaining third party testing for their child at their expense in accordance with I.C. 33-203 and State Board of Education rules. Demonstrated proficiency shall be used to determine eligibility for the current and next school year, not to exceed a period of 12 months from the date the test results are released;
4. Non-public school students must be provided the opportunity to take State tests or other standardized tests given to all regularly enrolled public school students when pre-arranged with the principal of the building where the student is registered. A fee may be assessed to cover extra administration costs;
5. A non-public school student will be subject to the same requirements as public school students regarding school attendance on the date of an activity. If the non-public school student is not scheduled to attend academic courses in the District on activity days, the non-public school student's primary education provider shall provide assurance to the District that such student has met the attendance requirements in the non-public school academic setting. The primary education provider shall also be responsible for the oversight of any other academic standards relating to participation in nonacademic activities.

Average Daily Attendance

Students who are dual enrolled (i.e., enrolled on a part-time basis) shall be used in calculating the District's State fund, but only to the extent of the student's participation in District programs.

Priority

Priority for enrollment, when school programs reach maximum capacities, will be given to students enrolled on a regular full-time basis. If a number of non-public school students request admission into the same class, they will be accepted on a first-come basis. In the event the class enrollment position of a non-public school student is needed for a regular full-time student during the course of the year, the full-time student will have priority for the position beginning with the semester after the need is identified.

Transportation

All non-public school students will be eligible for District transportation services. A public charter school student or nonpublic student, upon admission to a school in this District, may ride a school bus on regularly scheduled routes, including activity bus routes, and use regularly established bus stops or stops which would require no deviation from the regularly established bus route. No alteration of routes will be made to specially accommodate a dual enrollment student. If a dual enrollment student attends only part time, the District may furnish transportation at the regularly scheduled time closest to the time period for which a student is enrolled (i.e., morning busing for a.m. classes or afternoon busing for p.m. classes). The District will not provide such transportation if there is no available space, if the furnishing of such transportation would cause a deviation or alteration of the regularly established bus routes or stops, or if the furnishing of such transportation would require the purchase of additional or substitute equipment.

Graduation

In order to graduate from this District, all non-public school students must meet the grade and other graduation requirements the same as regular full-time students.

Mixed Curriculum

If a public charter school student or nonpublic student wishes to attend activities or programs in a particular discipline, in a class or grade where the curriculum is merged or integrated, such request shall be made in writing particularizing the subject matter presentation which the student desires to attend (i.e., art instruction in a third grade class). The teacher and principal of that school shall, upon request, provide scheduling information to the dual enrollment student. It shall be the dual enrollment student's responsibility to contact the District and ascertain when such subject matter will be presented. Where certain subject matter is integrated into a mixed curriculum, no change in the presentation of that curriculum needs to be made because of a nonpublic student's request for attendance. It is also the intent of this policy to ensure that the teacher's right to integrate disciplines and be flexible in planning and modifying the daily classroom presentations shall not be hindered or restricted in any way.

IDEA/ADA/Section 504 Students

Parents who wish dual enrollment students to be enrolled in special programs must comply with the requirements of the Individuals with Disability Act (IDEA) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504). Requests by parents for an evaluation of the student by the multidisciplinary or child study team shall determine if special services are appropriate for the student. Provided special services are needed by the student, programs will be provided when possible. Until such determination is made, such special educational services or accommodations will not be provided.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-203 Dual Enrollment
I.C. § 33-1001, et. seq. Average Daily Attendance
IDAPA 08.02.03.111.13 Dual Enrollment

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Compulsory Attendance

The parent or guardian of any child who has attained the age of seven years, but not the age of 16 years shall cause that child to be instructed in subjects commonly and usually taught in the public schools. Unless the child is otherwise comparably instructed, the parent or guardian shall cause the child to attend a public, private, or parochial school for a period each year equal to that during which the public schools are in session.

-Idaho Code § 33-202

Attendance

Parents or guardians are required to have children ages seven through 16 enrolled in and attending a public, private, or parochial school. This school must meet the certification and standard requirements of the State of Idaho, per Idaho Code 33-202 through 205.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the education of all school-aged children within District boundaries. Therefore, it reserves the right to ensure comparability of services at all other schools.

Whenever it is determined by the Board or the Board's designee under the provisions of due process of law that the parents or guardians of any child who is not enrolled in the public schools are failing to meet the requirements of Idaho Code § 33-202, an authorized representative of the Board shall notify in writing the prosecuting attorney in the county of the pupil's residence and recommend that a petition shall be filed in the magistrates division of the District Court of the county of the pupil's residence, in such form as the court may require under the provisions of Idaho Code § 20-510.

Legal Reference: Art. IX, § 9, Idaho Constitution – Compulsory Attendance at School

I.C. § 33-201 School Age

I.C. § 33-202 School Attendance Compulsory

I.C. § 33-207 Proceedings Against Parents or Guardians

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(Prepare on School District Letterhead)

Date _____

Clearwater County Prosecutor's Office

[Address]

To the Office of the County Prosecutor:

This letter is to inform your office of the continued absence of _____.

Enclosed is the Truancy Referral Form for the student. I have provided all of the information available on this student and his or her family. This form will be updated if any new information becomes available.

Thank you for your assistance. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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School Truancy Referral Form

PART I

Student _____,
(last name) (first name) (middle name)

Grade: _____ Age: _____ DOB: _____

Sex: _____ Race: _____ Language: _____

Mother's Name: _____ DOB: _____

Phone: _____ Wk. Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Father's Name: _____ DOB: _____

Phone: _____ Wk. Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Child resides with: _____

Address (if different than above): _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

PART II

Enrollment Date: _____ Number of Tardies: _____

Number of Absences: With a Valid Excuse: _____ Without a Valid Excuse: _____

Dates Child was Absent from School without Valid Excuse:

Suspension/Expulsion Dates: _____

Contacts with Parents, Actions Taken, and Outcomes (attach additional sheets if necessary):

Date: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Advisory Letter Sent? No _____ Yes _____ Date: _____

School Representative (person who can testify to the identification of the child, enrollment, keeping of records, and content of records): _____

PART III: REFERRING SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Name: _____

District: _____

Telephone: _____

Address: _____

City & State: _____ Zip: _____

(Print name of person submitting report)

(Title and Position)

(Phone)

(Signature)

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Attendance Policy

The entire process of education requires a regular continuity of instruction, classroom participation, learning experiences, and study in order to reach the goal of maximum educational benefits for each individual child. The regular contact of the students with one another in the classroom and their participation in instructional activities under the tutelage of a competent teacher are vital to this purpose. This is an established principle of education that underlies and gives purpose to the requirement of compulsory schooling in this and every other state in the nation. The good things that schools have to offer can only be presented to students who are in attendance. With continued emphasis regarding excellence in education, all parties involved in attendance can better strive for quality in the classroom. Attendance reflects a student's dependability and is a significant factor on the student's permanent record. Future employers are as much concerned about punctuality and dependability as they are about academic record. School success, scholarship, and job opportunity are greatly affected by a good attendance record.

90% Attendance

The intent of the Board of Trustees is to have students attend school on a regular basis. Regular and consistent attendance results in increased learning. It is also the intent of the Board of Trustees to have the regular classroom teacher present whenever possible. A student's presence in the classroom with the regular teacher contributes to time on task, and time on task contributes directly to learning as well as funds received from the State of Idaho.

All students must be in attendance in each classroom 90% of the time when that class is in session. Course credit will be in jeopardy if a student misses more than eight days per semester. The administration shall adjudicate absences where the total number of days is brought below nine days through doctor's excuses and legitimate illness.

The ONLY absences that WILL NOT be used in calculating the attendance record are:

1. Those that occur due to school-sponsored activities, since these are considered an equivalent educational experience. These exemptions will apply to students participating in sports events, cheerleading, music related events, FFA trips, academic field trips, and others deemed co-curricular;
2. Bereavement in the immediate family (grandmother, grandfather, father, mother, sister, brother). Any extended bereavement may be reviewed by the Attendance Committee;
3. Subpoenas to appear in court or court-ordered, out-of-District placements for special services; and

4. Illness or hospitalization verified by a doctor's statement.

A student who is absent for a reason listed above shall be allowed one make-up day for each day of absence with full credit for graded make-up work.

Absences which will be counted in the 90% limit will include such areas as: advanced excused absences, family trips; work days; vacations; visiting friends or relatives; suspension in and out of school; watching tournaments when not an actual participant; hair, medical, dental, or photography appointments; skiing; hunting; court appearances; attending concerts; shopping; or any others not mentioned which are unacceptable to the Attendance Committee. A student who is absent for one of these reasons shall be allowed one (1) make-up day for each day of absence. At the teacher's option, this work may be accepted with no reduction in credit or with a ten percent reduction in credit.

An advance excused absence must be approved prior to the absence by the principal and must include adequate provision to make up class work. Students with poor academic standing or who have been truant in the current or preceding semester are ineligible for advance excuses. An advance excused absence requires the prior approval of each of the student's teachers and principal. A student with an advance excused absence shall receive full credit for graded make-up work completed by the established deadline.

Truancy

Attendance at school is more than a legal obligation. It is a privilege. Every child of compulsory school age must be in attendance unless otherwise exempted as provided in Idaho Code §§ 33-204, 205 or as determined by school authorities.

The absence of a student from class or any portion of a class for any reason other than illness, emergency, or activities which have prior approval of the administration is to be considered an unexcused absence and therefore, an act of truancy.

When a student is absent for any reason except for a school-sponsored or an advance excused absence, an adequate acceptable excuse must be provided within two school days following return to school; otherwise, the absence is classified as a truancy. A parent or guardian may produce an adequate excuse, such as a doctor's note, after the two school day limit and the unexcused absence will be reconsidered in light of the new information. Parents/guardians, doctors, or other responsible persons should provide excuses for all students except married students or those of age 18 with a current signed parent consent form on file, who may speak for themselves.

Truancy

When the missed work and time are made up, the student will receive, at the teacher's option, a ten percent deduction on all graded assignments or no reduction in credit.

1. **Single Class Truancy (Skipping Class):** Any student who is absent unexcused for longer than a 10 minute portion of class will have his or her parent.
2. **Multiple Class Truancy:** Any student who is absent unexcused for more than one class, but shorter than one full day, will have his or her parent contacted and will serve multiple after-school detentions or be suspended from school.
3. **Entire Day Truancy (Skipping School):**
 - A. **First offense:** The student will have his or her parent contacted and will be suspended.
 - B. **Second offense:** A conference shall be held among the parent, student, and principal. The student will be suspended.
 - C. **Third offense:** A conference shall be held among the parent, student, and principal. The principal, student, and parent shall consider discipline measures: adjusting the student's schedule; transferring the student to another school; or engaging in family counseling. The student shall serve in-school or out-of-school suspension.
 - D. **Fourth offense:** Will result in an out-of-school suspension and a recommendation to the Board of Trustees for expulsion from school. The Board of Trustees will contact the prosecuting attorney for the purpose of filing a complaint against the parent/guardian. Any parent or guardian of a public school pupil who is found to have knowingly allowed such pupil to become a habitual truant shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

A student who has been expelled for attendance violations may petition the Board for reinstatement. Such petition may be granted upon presentation of a firm and unequivocal commitment to maintain regular attendance.

Tardiness

Students are expected to be in class on time. If a student is late to class by ten minutes or less, he or she will be considered tardy. If the student is more than ten minutes late to class, the student will be considered truant.

When a student's tardiness becomes frequent or disruptive, the student shall be referred directly to detention or to the principal for further disciplinary action. If disciplinary action is ineffective in changing the student's behavior, he or she may be referred to the intervention room, suspension, or removed from the class.

All sanctions imposed for failure to comply with the attendance policies and procedures shall be implemented in conformance with State and District regulations regarding corrective action or punishment.

90% Attendance Appeal Process

If a student has lost credit due to excessive absences and the parent(s)/guardian feels there is an extenuating circumstance, he or she may appeal to the building attendance committee. The attendance committee shall consist of the school principal and other school staff designated by the principal.

In reviewing written documentation during the appeal hearing, the attendance committee will consider the following:

1. Attendance for the preceding semester and/or year;
2. Grade(s) earned in the class(es) where credit was lost and other grades;
3. Make-up work completed and the student's attitude toward school; and
4. Extenuating circumstances. The Board's decision and acceptance or rejection of extenuating circumstances may be appealed to the Board within ten working days after the attendance committee informs the parent/guardian of the decision.

The Board's decision and acceptance or rejection of extenuating circumstances is final.

Legal Reference: Art. IX, § 9, Idaho Constitution – Compulsory Attendance at School

I.C. § 33-202	School Attendance Compulsory
I.C. § 33-204	Exemption for Cause
I.C. § 33-205	Denial of School Attendance
I.C. § 33-207	Proceedings Against Parents or Guardians

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Education of Homeless Children

It is the policy of the District to ensure that:

1. Each child of a homeless individual and each homeless child has equal access to the same free, appropriate public education, including a public preschool education, as provided to other students;
2. Homelessness does not in any way separate homeless students from the mainstream school environment; and
3. Homeless children and youths have access to the education and other services that such children and youths need to ensure that such children and youths have an opportunity to meet the same challenging state academic standards to which all students are held.

It is also the policy of the District to view children as individuals.

The Board of Trustees directs all District schools to admit children who are homeless regardless of residence and irrespective of whether the homeless child is able to produce records normally required for enrollment. The Board shall not enter into an out-of-District attendance and tuition agreement with another district for a homeless child.

All schools and employees of the District shall work to ensure that children and youth who are homeless are free from discrimination, segregation, and harassment. The District will also strive to prevent stigma against students who are homeless.

Definitions

For the purposes of this Policy, the following definitions shall apply.

The terms “enroll” and “enrollment” includes attending classes and participating fully in all school activities.

The terms “homeless,” “homeless individual,” and “homeless person” include:

1. Children and youths who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; or are abandoned in hospitals;

2. Children and youths who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings;
3. Children and youths who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings;
4. Migratory children who qualify as homeless for the purposes of this part because the children are living in circumstances described in clauses 1 through 3 above; and
5. An unaccompanied student and homeless families with children and youth are also defined as homeless if they:
 - A. Have experienced a long term period without living independently in permanent housing;
 - B. Have experienced persistent instability as measured by frequent moves over such period, and
 - C. Can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities; chronic physical health or mental health conditions; substance addiction; histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse; the presence of a child or youth with a disability; or multiple barriers to employment.

“Children and youth in transition” is defined as children and youth who are otherwise legally entitled to or eligible for a free public education, including preschool, and who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.

“Unaccompanied youth” is defined as a youth not in the physical custody of a parent/guardian who is in transition as defined above.

The term “school of origin” is defined as the school the student attended when permanently housed, or the school in which the student was last enrolled, including a preschool. When a student completes the final grade level served by the students “school of origin,” the “school of origin” shall progress to the designated receiving school at the next grade level for all of its feeder schools the same as for all students attending one school and progressing to another school in the District.

In General

The District shall ensure the following is provided according to the homeless student's best interest:

1. That the homeless student's education continues in the school of origin for the duration of homelessness:

- A. In any case in which a family becomes homeless between academic years or during an academic year; and
 - B. For the remainder of the academic year, if the student becomes permanently housed during an academic year; or
2. That the homeless student is eligible to enroll in the same schools as non-homeless students who live in the same attendance area where the homeless student is actually living.

School Stability

In determining the best interest of the homeless student each school within the District shall:

1. Presume that keeping the student in the school of origin is in the student's best interest, except when doing so is contrary to the request of the student's parent or guardian, or (in the case of an unaccompanied youth) the student;
2. Consider student-centered factors related to the student's best interest, including factors related to the impact of mobility on achievement, education, health, and safety of homeless students, giving priority to the request of the student's parent(s) or guardian or (in the case of an unaccompanied youth) the student;
3. If, after conducting the best interest determination based on consideration of the above presumptions, the Superintendent determines that it is not in student's best interest to attend the school of origin or the school requested by the parent(s) or guardian, or (in the case of an unaccompanied student) the student, provide the student's parent(s) or guardian or the unaccompanied student with a written explanation of the reasons for his or her determination. The explanation will be provided in a manner and form understandable to such parent, guardian, or unaccompanied student, including information regarding the right to appeal under "Enrollment Disputes", below; and
4. In the case of an unaccompanied student, ensure that the District's liaison, designated under "District liaison" below, assists in placement or enrollment decisions under this subparagraph, gives priority to the views of such unaccompanied student, and provides notice to such student of the right to appeal under "Enrollment Disputes" below.

Immediate Enrollment:

1. **In General:** The school selected in accordance with this policy shall immediately enroll the homeless student, even if the student:
 - A. Is unable to produce records normally required for enrollment, such as previous academic records; records of immunization and other required health records; proof of residency; or other documentation;
 - B. Has missed application or enrollment deadlines during any period of homelessness; or

- C. Has outstanding fees or fines, including fees associated with extracurricular activities.
2. **Relevant Academic Records:** The enrolling school shall immediately contact the school last attended by the student to obtain relevant academic and other records.
 3. **Relevant Health Records:** If the student needs to obtain immunizations or other required health records, the enrolling school shall immediately refer the parent/guardian of the student, or (in the case of an unaccompanied student) the student, to the District's liaison, designated under "District liaison" below, who shall assist in obtaining all necessary immunizations and/or screenings, or other required health records, in accordance with "Records" below.

Records

Any record ordinarily kept by the school, including immunization or other required health records; academic records; birth certificates; guardianship records; and evaluations for special services or programs, regarding each homeless student shall be maintained:

1. So that the records involved are available, in a timely fashion, when the student enters a new school or school district; and
2. In a manner consistent with FERPA, applicable Idaho law, and District policy.

Disputes

If a dispute arises over eligibility, school selection or enrollment in a particular school, or any other issue addressed in this policy:

1. The student shall be immediately enrolled in the school in which enrollment is sought, pending final resolution of the dispute, including all available appeals. The student shall receive educational services for which the student is eligible, such as attending classes and full participation in all school activities;
2. The parent(s) or guardian of the student or (in the case of an unaccompanied student) the student shall be provided with a written explanation identifying the basis for any decisions related to school selection or enrollment made by the District, or other entity, including the rights of the parent(s), guardian, or unaccompanied student to appeal such decisions;
3. The parent(s), guardian, or unaccompanied student shall be referred to the local educational agency liaison, designated under "District liaison" below, and upon being informed of the dispute, the liaison shall, within 10 days, initiate an appeal with the District and, if unsuccessful, to the state coordinator of the dispute regarding the educational placement of the homeless student; and

4. In the case of an unaccompanied student, the liaison shall ensure that the student is immediately enrolled in the school in which the student seeks enrollment pending resolution of the student's dispute.
5. If an agreement cannot be reached between the parties regarding the educational placement of enrollment status of the student, then the District shall seek further assistance from the State Coordinator of Homeless Education to review and determine within ten (10) business days how the student's best interests will be served. The decision of the State Department of Education shall constitute final resolution.

Placement Choice

The choice regarding placement shall be made regardless of whether the child or youth lives with the homeless parent(s)/guardian or has been temporarily placed elsewhere.

When addressing school placement, the student may attend a school different than the school of attendance from before the student became homeless or the school last attended by the student, if such is the choice of the student's parent and such is feasible.

When addressing school placement, the District's Liaison shall work with the family to address the students transportation needs.

Privacy

Information about a homeless student's living situation shall be treated as a student education record, and shall not be deemed to be disclosable "directory information" under the Family Education Records Privacy Act ("FERPA").

Contact Information

Nothing in this policy shall prohibit the District and/or the enrolling school from requiring the parent(s) or guardian of a homeless student to submit contact information.

Comparable Services

Each homeless student in the District shall be provided services comparable to those services provided to other students in the school attended by the homeless student, including the following:

1. Transportation services;
2. Educational services for which the student meets eligibility criteria, such as services provided under Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, or similar State or District sponsored programs, educational programs for children with disabilities, and educational programs for English Learners;

3. Programs in career and technical education;
4. Programs for gifted and talented students; and
5. School nutrition programs. Upon enrollment, the student's name shall immediately be submitted to the District's Nutrition Services Department as eligible for free meals, which eligibility commences at the time of enrollment.

District Liaison

For purposes of this policy, the Superintendent shall designate a District employee to serve as its liaison to serve homeless students in accordance with the following provisions. The liaison for homeless students designated by the Superintendent shall ensure that:

1. All homeless students in and out of school are identified by school personnel through outreach and coordination activities with other entities and agencies;
2. The District tracks academic and enrollment data on homeless students;
3. All homeless students are enrolled in, and have a full and equal opportunity to succeed the same as non-homeless students of the District;
4. Homeless families and homeless students have access to and receive educational services for which such families and students are eligible, including services through Head Start programs (including Early Head Start programs); early intervention services under part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; and other preschool programs administered by the District;
5. All homeless families and homeless students receive referrals to health care services, dental services, mental health and substance abuse services, housing services, and other appropriate services;
6. The parents or guardians of homeless students are informed of the educational and related opportunities available to their children and are provided with meaningful opportunities to participate in the education of their children;
7. All unaccompanied students and youth who receive any credits for classes attended shall be informed by the liaison of their status as an "independent student" for purposes of the student's Free Application for Federal Student Aid ("FAFSA"). The liaison shall also provide the required "verification" of the student's status in connection with his or her application for Federal Student Aid;
8. Public notice of the educational rights of homeless students is disseminated in locations frequented by parents or guardians of such students, and unaccompanied students, including schools, shelters, public libraries, and soup kitchens, in a manner and form

understandable to the parents and guardians of homeless students, and unaccompanied students;

9. Eligibility, school selection, or enrollment disputes are mediated in accordance with “Disputes,” above;
10. The parent or guardian of a homeless student, and any unaccompanied student, is fully informed of all transportation services, including transportation to the student’s school of origin, and is assisted in accessing transportation to the student’s assigned school;
11. School personnel receive annual professional development and other support; and
12. Unaccompanied homeless students:
 - A. Are enrolled in school;
 - B. Have opportunities to meet the same challenging state academic standards as the State establishes for other students; and
 - C. Are informed of their status as independent students under 20 USC § 1087vv(d), and that such students may obtain assistance from the District liaison to obtain verification of such status for purposes of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

Local and State Coordination

The District’s liaison(s) for homeless students shall, as a part of their duties, coordinate and collaborate with the Idaho State Office of the Coordinator for Education of Homeless Children and Youths, as well as with community and school personnel who are responsible for the provision of education and related services to homeless students. These shall include public and private agencies, the transportation department, the State Coordinator for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth, and others. Such coordination shall include collecting and providing to the State Coordinator the reliable, valid, and comprehensive data needed to meet the requirements of 42 USC § 11432(f)(1) and (3).

Homeless Status

The District’s liaison who receives training provided by the Idaho State Office of the Coordinator for Education of Homeless Children and Youths may authorize a homeless student who is eligible for and participating in a program provided by the District, or the immediate family of such student, who otherwise meets the eligibility requirements Federal Housing Assistance (see 42 USC §§ 11360 *et. seq.*), to do so without approval or other agency action by or on behalf of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Title 1, Part A

Any student who is homeless and attends school within the District is eligible for Title 1, Part A services. The District shall set aside funding to provide homeless students who attend schools that do not participate in Title 1, Part A with services comparable to those provided by participating schools. Funding may also be set aside to provide targeted assistance to homeless students who attend participating schools.

Cross Reference: 3210 Uniform Grievance Procedure
4160 Parents Right-to-Know Notices

Legal Reference:	42 U.S.C. § 11301, et seq.	McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act
	20 U.S.C. § 6311, et seq.	Title 1, Part A, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended by ESSA of 2015
	20 U.S.C. § 1400	Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2006
	42 U.S.C. § 1758	Child Nutrition and WIC Act of 2004
	42 U.S.C. § 9801-642A	Improving Head Start for School Readiness Act of 2007
	I.C. § 33-1404	Districts to Receive Pupils

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Students of Legal Age

Every student 18 years of age or older will be deemed to be an adult and will have legal capacity to act as such. Such students, like all other students, will comply with the rules established by the District, pursue the prescribed course of study, and submit to the authority of teachers and other staff members as required by policy and State law.

Admission to School: The residence of an adult student who is not residing with a parent or guardian will be considered the student's residence for school purposes.

Field Trips/Athletic Programs: Approved forms for participation will be required of all students. The form should indicate whether the signature is that of the parent or the adult student. Sponsors or coaches will be required to confirm the ages of those students signing their own forms.

Absence-Lateness-Truancy: Absence notes, normally signed by parents or guardians, may be signed by adult students. Excessive absences will result in consequences according to Policy 3050 and will be reported on the report card.

Suspension/Expulsion: All suspension and/or expulsion proceedings will conform to the requirements of State statutes. Notification of all such proceedings will be sent to parents or guardians. Adult students, however, are permitted to represent themselves if they so choose.

Withdrawal from School: Adult students may withdraw from school under their own cognizance. Counselors will guide and counsel potential dropouts and encourage their continued attendance. Parents will be notified of impending dropouts by the school.

Permission to Inspect Student Records: Adult students may request permission to inspect their school records if they are an eligible student according to FERPA.

Report Cards: Unless directed otherwise, progress reports will be sent to the parent(s) or legal guardian.

Excuses from School: The school will verify requests from students who wish to leave school early for reasons such as job interviews, college visits, and driver testing, with the organization being visited. Permission to leave school early may be denied for what is considered a non-valid reason.

Financial Responsibility: Students of legal age can be held financially responsible for damage to school property.

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Nonresident Student Attendance Policy

Students may attend school in other than the resident student's school under the following circumstances:

1. State Enrollment Options Program;
2. When the resident and non-resident districts mutually agree; or
3. When the resident district and an out-of-state school district mutual agree;
4. Except when such transfer would work a hardship on the receiving school district

State Enrollment Options Program

Whenever the parent or guardian of a student determines it is in the best interest of the student to attend a school other than the student's resident school, the parent/guardian must apply annually for admission to the non-resident school on a form provided by the State Department of Education. The application, together with the student's cumulative record, special education file, IEP, or other applicable documents, if any, shall be submitted to the receiving district no later than February 1 for enrollment during the following school year. The February 1 deadline may be modified by mutual agreement of the resident and non-resident school. Notice of the application must be given to the student's residence district.

Students with disabilities are not treated differently from non-disabled students with respect to consideration for placement in the school of their choice, unless the District has made an individual determination that disability-related needs of a particular student with a disability cannot be reasonably met at the school of their choice due to appropriate consideration of teacher and staff, resources, program availability, hardship to the District, Declaration of Hardship and/or other factors.

The Superintendent, principal, or designee a designated team will; as a part of a group of at least three persons who are knowledgeable of the student, the student's academic history, the student's disability evaluation data, if any, and/or the placement options; have discretion to review and accept or deny the Open Enrollment applications on a case by case basis.

The non-resident school will have 60 days in which to consider the application. The district may deny out-of-district student enrollment for circumstances that constitute a hardship, or fall within the scope of any Hardship Declaration including, but not limited to, enlarged student-teacher ratios; overcapacity of any program such as special education, classes, as well as overcapacity of any grade level, or building; or any other factors pertaining to staffing, student-teacher ratios, case load and/or to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its existing students and/or its

educational processes. If the application is denied, the non-resident school must provide a written explanation of the denial of enrollment.

No tuition shall be charged when a student attends a non-resident school under the State's Enrollment Options Program.

The parent/guardian of a non-resident student is responsible for transporting the student to and from the school or to a bus stop within the non-resident district.

Eligibility rules for participating in extracurricular activities shall apply to non-resident students. Any suspended or expelled student will not be eligible to attend a non-resident school under the provisions of this law.

Mutual Agreement of Resident And Non-Resident Idaho Districts

The boards of trustees of a resident and non-resident district may agree in writing, on an annual basis, that students may be allowed to attend school in the non-resident district.

Mutual Agreement of Resident District and an Out-Of-State District

The Board of Trustees may agree in writing, on an annual basis, that a resident student attend school in the nearest appropriate school district in a neighboring state. Such agreement shall state the rate of tuition and cost of transportation, if any, to be paid by the District. The agreement will be entered into the records of the Board of Trustees. A copy must be filed with the State Board of Education.

The Board of Trustees may, upon approval of the State Board of Education, enter into an agreement with the governing body of a school district in another state for education and/or transportation of an out-of-state student. The rate of tuition, cost of transportation, and other appropriate costs shall be specifically addressed in the agreement. The agreement will be entered into the records of the Board of Trustees with a copy to be filed with the State Board of Education.

Hardship Exception

When tuition is to be paid by the resident district, or waived by this District, the District will admit students except when any such transfer would constitute a hardship. The District may determine that a hardship exists when acceptance of a non-resident student(s) would:

1. Require the hiring of additional staff, the provision of educational services not currently provided in the school, or the crowding of existing classes;
2. Cause an excessive number of students in a particular building (i.e., when the total number of students exceeds the following numbers:

A. [Insert buildings and maximum capacities]

3. Cause the total enrollment in the District to exceed _____;
4. Cause the total enrollment in a particular class to exceed _____;
5. Cause the teacher-student ratio to exceed 1 to _____;
6. Cause the total enrollment in a specialized program to exceed the limits below:

A. [Insert specialized programs and maximum capacities]

7. Would cause disruption of the education process. The District will consider the following criteria in making this determination:
 - A. Is the student in good standing with the most recently attended school in terms of conduct, and attendance;
 - B. Can the student demonstrate a record free of truancy;
 - C. Can the student demonstrate a clean behavior record in the school last attended for a period of at least one year;
 - D. Would the student's presence pose a detriment to the health and safety of other students and/or staff; and/or
 - E. Has the student been suspended or expelled from any other school district.

Idaho Youth Rehabilitation/Child Protective Act

Any non-resident student placed by court order under the Idaho Youth Rehabilitation Act or the Child Protection Act and residing in a licensed home, agency, or institution located within the District shall be enrolled and shall not be charged tuition.

Homeless Children

Homeless children, as defined by the Steward B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act (P.L. 100-77), may attend any school district or school within a district without payment of tuition when it is determined to be in the best interest of such homeless child.

Other Conditions

The Board will not admit any student prior to viewing that student's records from the student's previous school districts.

The District has the option of accepting a non-resident student who does not meet the criteria set forth herein, if the student agrees to special conditions of admission, as set forth by the District. If a student applies and is accepted in this district from out of district, but fails to attend, that student will be ineligible to apply again for an enrollment option in this district.

The Board will not admit any student who is expelled from another school district.

New or continued enrollment of such open enrollment students will be subject to the District's discretion and such students may be denied enrollment, re-enrollment, or continued enrollment in

accordance with the District's Open Enrollment Policy, this District's Hardship Declaration and/or other factors.

An open enrollment out-of-district student who becomes eligible for special education during the school year will be allowed to complete the school year as an open enrollment student, however, the student may be re-evaluated and/or his or her enrollment status may be reviewed prior to enrollment for the following year, and depending upon circumstances, such enrollment may be denied in accordance with the District's Open Enrollment Policy, this District's Hardship Declaration and/or other factors.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-1400 et seq.
I.C. § 33-205

Transfer of Pupils
Denial of School Attendance

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Foreign Exchange Students

Philosophy

The District believes that foreign exchange students add to the richness of the high school setting for both District and foreign students. Thus, the District is willing to enroll a manageable number of foreign exchange students.

To protect the interests of the District and students, the District has adopted the following policies. It should be realized that foreign exchange students are educated at the expense of the taxpayers of the District and the State of Idaho.

1. The foreign exchange student must be 18 years of age or younger at the time of enrollment.
2. The foreign exchange student must reside with a legal resident of the District. Exceptions may be granted.
3. The foreign exchange student must have sufficient knowledge of the English language to enable effective communication and to use instructional materials and textbooks printed in English.
 - A. An English proficiency test of the District's own choosing may be administered and will supersede all other tests;
 - B. If an organization places a student who, upon arrival, is deemed by the District to be deficient in English language proficiency, the organization will do one of the following:
 1. Terminate the student's placement; or
 2. Provide, and pay for, tutorial help until the student reaches proficiency as determined by the District.

Academic Standards and Graduation

1. The foreign exchange student will be expected to meet all appropriate standards required of any student enrolled in the District; and
2. Foreign exchange students may not graduate and receive a diploma from a District high school. They may participate in the ceremonies and receive a certificate of attendance.

Orientation by the Exchange Organization

1. Orientation, both pre-departure and upon arrival in the United States, must be provided to the exchange student.
2. Orientation must also be provided to the host family in advance of the exchange student's arrival. The family should be advised of potential problems in hosting an exchange student and provided with suggestions for coping with these problems.
3. The student's host family and the District must be provided written information which includes at least:
 - A. The name, address, and phone number of both local and area coordinators for the exchange organization; and
 - B. A 24-hour emergency telephone number for immediate assistance by the exchange organization.

Supervision

1. The sponsoring foreign student exchange organization must assume the final responsibility for resolving problems, including, if necessary, the changing of host families or the early return home of the exchange student because of personal, family, or school difficulties.
2. The sponsoring foreign student exchange organization must contact the exchange student and host family periodically throughout the exchange visit to ensure that problems are dealt with promptly and effectively.
3. The host family must be available and willing to meet with school personnel when functions or conditions require it.

District Expectations—Student Opportunities/Responsibilities

1. **Required Courses:** Foreign exchange students will be expected to enroll in the following academic classes while attending a District high school:
 - A. One English class;
 - B. One United States history class or one government class; and
 - C. Maintain enrollment in at least six classes.
2. **Athletic Program:** Foreign exchange students are eligible to participate in a District high school activities program. Guidelines for participation are set by District policy and by the Idaho High School Activities Association (IHSAA), as follows:
 - A. **Recognition:** The student must be a participant of an "official Foreign Exchange Program" as defined in the publication from the National Association of Secondary School Principals, entitled, "Advisory List of International Educational Travel and Exchange Programs".

- B. **Graduation:** The student cannot have graduated or received a diploma in his or her own country.
3. **Student Fees:** Foreign exchange students are expected to pay all yearbook fees, lab fees, prom tickets, yearbook costs, athletic fees, cap and gown fees, lunch prices, and all other school incurred expenses that are expected of other students enrolled in a District high school.
 4. **Achievement and Discipline:** Foreign exchange students must maintain passing grades in all classes, follow the rules and regulations of District student policies, and show satisfactory discipline and attendance. Failure to comply with these expectations shall result in dismissal of the student from the District's Foreign Exchange Program.
 5. **Scholarship(s):** The District will not include names of foreign exchange students in its formal class-rank listing based on cumulative grade point average, nor will foreign exchange students be eligible to apply for any local scholarship.

Placement Quotas for Foreign Student Exchange Organizations

1. District high schools will accept a maximum of two individually sponsored exchange students on a first come, first served basis.
2. The fact that a foreign exchange organization has located a host family within the District does not imply the District will automatically enroll the student. While the organization may develop such an agreement with a host family, the family should be advised it is contingent upon admission to a District high school.

Legal Reference: 20 U.S.C. 221, et seq. Instructions of Citizens from American Republics;
Government Maintained Professional Educational
Institutions
IDAPA 08.02.03.105.03 Foreign Exchange Students

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Programs for At-Risk/Disadvantaged Students

The District will designate one at-risk coordinator to collect and disseminate data regarding dropouts in the District and to coordinate the District's program for students who are at high risk of dropping out of school.

Each school year, the at-risk coordinator will prepare a dropout reduction plan that identifies:

1. The number of District students who dropped out in the preceding regular school term;
2. The number of students in grades 1-12 who are at risk of dropping out;
3. The District's dropout rate goal for the next school year; and
4. The dropout reduction programs, resources, and strategies to be used during the school year.

The Board will review and approve the plan annually.

At-Risk Students

In determining whether a student is at high risk of dropping out of school, the District will consider the student's academic and attendance performance as well as whether the student is adjudged delinquent; abuses drugs or alcohol; is a student of limited English proficiency; receives compensatory or remedial education; is sexually, physically or psychologically abused; is pregnant or a parent; is an emancipated youth; is a previous drop-out; is a court or agency referral; stops attending school before the end of the school year; is an underachiever; is unmotivated; or exhibits other characteristics that indicate the student is at high risk of dropping out of school.

Programs and District Plan

The District will provide a remedial and support program for any student who is at risk of dropping out of school.

The District will have a plan designed to retain students in a school setting. The District plan will be the responsibility of the Superintendent or the designated at-risk coordinator and will:

1. Emphasize a comprehensive team approach that includes the Superintendent, principal, parent/guardian, teacher, student, community service provider, business representative, or others;
2. Include objectives designed to meet the identified needs of at-risk students and to retain those students in school;
3. Be designed to use community resources that are available to serve at-risk youth;

4. Provide for parental involvement, such as participation in developing student academic plans and training programs for parents; and
5. Provide for review of individual profiles for at-risk students.

The District plan may also:

1. Include alternatives; and
2. Provide for the referral of students who drop out to other programs.

Alternative high school programs conducted during the school year will be conducted off-site or scheduled at a time when school is not in session and shall comply with the State Board of Education Rules Governing Thoroughness (IDAPA 08.02.03.110).

Legal Reference: IDAPA 08.02.03.110 Alternative Secondary Programs

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Student Rights and Responsibilities

All students are entitled to enjoy the rights protected by the Federal and State Constitutions and laws for persons of their age and maturity in a school setting. Students should exercise these rights reasonably and avoid violating the rights of others. Students who violate the rights of others or violate District policies or rules will be subject to disciplinary measures.

These rights and responsibilities may be described at greater length in student handbooks. All student handbooks are approved policy of the Board. The complete student handbook for each school is on file at the District administration office and at the respective schools.

Students who violate the provisions of the applicable student handbook will be disciplined in accordance with the District policies.

Cross Reference: 3370 Searches and Seizure
 3330 Student Discipline

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-205 Denial of School Attendance
 I.C. § 33-512 Governance of Schools
 Tinker v. Des Moines Ind. Sch. Dist., 89 S.Ct. 733 (1969).

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Student Use of Buildings: Equal Access

Non-curriculum related secondary school student organizations may conduct meetings on school premises without intervention on the basis of the religious, political, philosophical, or other content of the meeting.

The following criteria must be met:

1. The meeting is voluntary and student-initiated;
2. There is no sponsorship of the meeting by the school, the government, or its agents or employees;
3. The meeting must occur during non-instructional time on regular school days;
4. Employees or agents of the school or government are present only in a non-participatory capacity;
5. The meeting does not materially and substantially interfere with the orderly conduct of educational activities within the school; and
6. Non-school persons may not direct, conduct, control, or regularly attend activities.

Although the school assumes no sponsorship of these kinds of meetings, all meetings held on school premises must be scheduled and approved by the principal.

This policy pertains to student meetings. The school has the authority, through its agents or employees, to maintain order and discipline on school premises and to protect the well-being of students and faculty.

Legal Reference: 20 U.S.C. 4071 Equal Access Act
Board of Education v. Mergens, 110 S.Ct. 2356 (1990).

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Student Clubs: Equal Access

The Board of Trustees regards student clubs and organizations as an important part of the education and development of students.

Definitions

As used in this policy:

1. “School” shall mean any school in Joint School District No. 171;
2. “Club” shall mean a sponsored club or a non-sponsored or non-curriculum group of students of the school who wish to organize and meet to form common goals, objectives, or purposes, but do not include school activities;
3. “Sponsored Club” shall mean a club which is directly under the sponsorship, direction, and control of the school;
4. “Non-sponsored or non-curriculum club” shall mean a student initiated club which is not under the sponsorship, direction, or control of the school or any student initiated club that does not directly relate to the body of courses offered by the school; and
5. “Non-participating capacity” shall mean a person may not promote, lead, or participate in any meeting.

The school within the District shall provide equal access and a fair opportunity for clubs to organize and to meet on school premises during the times established for such meetings.

Sponsored clubs shall be sponsored by a member of the faculty, staff, or administration of the school. The District shall not sponsor clubs which advocate particular religious or political beliefs or ideas. Any such clubs shall be non-sponsored or non-curriculum, and must engage a school employee to monitor their activities while on the premises. The school and the School District shall not be identified or associated with the goals, objectives, activities, beliefs, or opinions of any non-sponsored or non-curriculum clubs or its members. Any club whose activities are deemed by the principal to be disruptive of the everyday operations of the school will not be allowed to initiate meetings, nor continue to meet on school premises.

Equal Access Regulations

The following general guidelines will be observed in approving, establishing, and operating student clubs at Joint School District No. 171 schools.

1. Each proposed club must complete and submit a request form to the principal or designee stating the name, specific purpose of the club, the membership requirements, the activities of the club, and meeting dates and times. Each proposed club shall have the student group perform a risk management assessment of the proposed club activities. The principal or designee will forward the request to the School District. The District with Board approval shall respond to the request, accept or reject the application, and designate the club as either a sponsored club or non-sponsored or non-curriculum club.
2. Student participation in club activities and attendance at club meetings shall be voluntary and shall be limited to those students who are currently enrolled in the School District. All student groups meeting on school premises are required to open membership to all interested and/or eligible students. Clubs shall be allowed to meet on school premises from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., during the noon hour, and from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on days when school is in session. The time and place of all club meetings shall be subject to available space, conflicting activities and programs, and the availability of the faculty sponsor or monitor. Students shall be responsible for ensuring the presence of a faculty sponsor or monitor prior to every meeting. Clubs will be allowed to meet on school premises during other times of the day only in extraordinary or exceptional circumstances as may be determined by the principal or designee.
3. All clubs must comply with the provisions of the school's student constitution, if applicable.
4. No hazing of students shall be permitted.
5. The principal or designee may deny the opportunity of any club to meet on school premises. They may also deny permission of any non-school person to meet with or speak to a club on school premises, when there exists a substantial likelihood of material and substantial interference with the orderly conduct of educational activities within the school, or if the meeting or activities in the meeting are, or will be, in violation of any law or ordinance.
6. The principal, designee, or student council (if appropriate) may temporarily or permanently terminate the opportunity of any club to meet on school premises in the future if the club has materially or substantially interfered with the orderly conduct of educational activities within the school, if the activities of the club have violated any law or ordinance, or if the club has violated any provision of this policy.

For sponsored clubs, the following guidelines will apply:

1. Each sponsored club will have a faculty or staff member appointed as sponsor. The sponsorship shall be approved by the principal or designee;
2. All activities of the club must have prior approval of the sponsor;
3. Club funds shall be subject to deposit, audit, and disbursement in accordance with the regulations of the District; and

4. The content and placement of club posters or advertisements shall be approved by the club sponsor.

For non-sponsored or non-curriculum clubs, the following guidelines will apply:

1. The formation of non-sponsored or non-curriculum clubs shall be student initiated. Non-school persons may not direct, conduct, control, or regularly attend activities;
2. Recognition by Joint School District No. 171 of a non-sponsored or non-curriculum club is not an endorsement of the aims, policies, or opinions of the student organization or its members;
3. The school or District's name will not be identified with the aims, policies, or opinions of the student organization or its members;
4. Notices of meetings of non-curricular student organizations may be posted only on a designated bulletin board used by all non-school sponsored organizations. No announcements shall be made over the public address system or in any school-sponsored publications;
5. No funds will be expended by the school for any such meeting beyond the incidental cost associated with providing a meeting place;
6. Every club must have a District employee volunteer as a monitor to the club. The monitor shall be responsible for monitoring the meetings to assure that attendance at the meetings is voluntary, to assure that the meetings do not materially and substantially interfere with the orderly conduct of educational activities within the school, and to assure that order and discipline are maintained. Monitors shall attend the meetings of non-sponsored or non-curriculum clubs that are political or religious in nature in a non-participatory capacity;
7. No school employee shall be compelled to be a monitor of a non-sponsored or non-curriculum club;
8. Club posters or flyers need to have a disclaimer, and poster content and placement shall be approved by the principal or designee; and
9. Joint School District No. 171 shall not be identified or associated in any way with the goals, objectives, activities, or opinions of any non-sponsored or non-curriculum clubs to raise money.

Legal Reference: 20 U.S.C. §§ 4071-4074 Equal Access Act

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School Clubs: Background

THIS DOCUMENT IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY AND IS NOT INTENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS A POLICY OR PROCEDURE.

What clubs are currently sponsored by your District? Do you have a Board policy in place dealing with school clubs? Is there a risk management plan in place for sponsored clubs? Is your District or school name being used by a non-sponsored club in a way that might cause a liability problem for the District?

Proper risk management for school clubs is a key issue for school districts. Clubs can be an excellent way to enhance student learning and provide opportunities for students to explore lifelong hobbies. Unfortunately, they can also present serious potential liability exposures to the District if not properly managed. And, while they may still serve a useful purpose, not all clubs should be sponsored by school districts.

Our goal is to provide a framework and a thought process for properly evaluating and managing school clubs from a risk management standpoint.

Is this club a school sponsored activity?

1. The decision of whether or not a club is to be school sponsored should be made at the District level, not at the school site.
2. The District should have a policy that includes a process for reviewing applications for school sponsorship.
3. The policy should state that clubs that have not received District level approval are not school sponsored activities.

Things to consider in making a decision about sponsorship include:

1. Do the club's purpose and activities fit within the School District's mission?
2. Are the potential risks associated with the club reasonable and acceptable to the District?
3. Is there a risk management plan in place that identifies potential hazards and outlines ways to manage those risks through such means as training, proper equipment, and supervision?
4. Who will be responsible for insuring the club? If it is to be the School District, are there any exposures that would be excluded under the District's insurance policies such as:
 - A. Ownership, operation, maintenance, or use of any aircraft;

- B. Ownership, operation, maintenance, or use of watercraft; or
 - C. Auto racing or demolition contests?
5. If the club will provide its own insurance, are the limits of liability adequate and will the insurance company name the District as an additional insured on the policy and provide the District with a certificate of insurance?

Proper Risk Management for Non-Sponsored Clubs

The District may decide not to sponsor the club; but to allow the club to use the District's facilities similar to the way other outside groups do. If so, certain risk management steps should be taken including:

1. Requiring a certificate of insurance and an endorsement naming the District as an additional insured under the club's insurance policy;
2. Clear communications to staff, students, and patrons that the club is not school sponsored; and
3. Not allowing the club to use the name of the District or the schools within the District or to imply that the club is school sponsored.

Student Club Risk Management Plan

Each School Sponsored Club must develop and implement a plan that identifies hazards and potential exposures to club members, faculty, staff members, and school property. This plan should also outline the policies and procedures needed to control the identified hazards.

Due to the variety of club activities that can occur within a school district, it is critical that hazards and exposures created by the club activities be carefully evaluated. Some clubs, for example a chess club, may not have significant hazards; however, other clubs such as a drag racing club, or a rodeo club could have the potential for severe injuries. Each Risk Management Plan should be customized to the hazards of the individual club. To assist you in developing your plan, you can answer the following questions:

What are the purposes and goals of the club?

What are the responsibilities of the club members?

What training is to be required of club members? Are there minimum knowledge requirements?
How will these be tested? How are training and test results documented and maintained?

What are the responsibilities of the faculty or school-appointed sponsor?

What special training or education is required of the faculty or school staff sponsor? Are they certified through a recognized organization?

What rules are necessary to conduct club activities in a safe manner, minimizing hazards and exposures to club members, School District staff members, and school property?

What safety equipment is needed? Who is to provide this equipment? How is the equipment to be inspected and tested?

List emergency response procedures necessary based on any inherent risks of club activities, such as first-aid and emergency communication.

Are parent consent forms required? If so, where are the records maintained?

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Student Government

The Board encourages the function of student councils in the District's elementary and secondary schools. Student councils shall assist in improving the general welfare of all students and give students the opportunity to participate in the orderly workings of the democratic process.

Student councils shall not have authority to make policies or procedures for the District or the school. However, they may make recommendations to the administration on any topic of student concern.

Eligibility rules for candidates and rules for conducting campaigns and elections should be published, widely announced, and uniformly enforced.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-506(1) Organization and Government of Board of Trustees

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Student Publications

Journalistic experience in a school setting should be calculated to develop the background of skills and understanding which will equip a student for the responsibilities of the free press in our society. However, students must recognize that a school-sponsored newspaper is unique and different from other newspapers in at least four ways.

1. It is an instructive tool in addition to a means of student self-expression;
2. It is read not just by the intended audience of fellow students, but also by parents and many citizens outside the school;
3. It is partially supported by tax funds; and
4. It is an influence on the public relations of the entire District since its content is read by many not simply as expressions of individual students, but as expressions representative of the entire student body and approved by the administration.

The concept of “freedom of the press” under the First Amendment has application with regard to school-sponsored publications. However, the United States Supreme Court has established that school districts may exercise editorial control over the style and content of school-sponsored newspapers without violating the First Amendment. All school-sponsored publications shall comply with the ethics and rules of responsible journalism. Text that is libelous, obscene, vulgar, lewd, invades the privacy of others, conflicts with the basic educational mission of the school, is socially inappropriate, is inappropriate due to the maturity of the students, or is materially disruptive to the educational process will not be tolerated.

The District recognizes that there are valid and necessary reasons to exercise such prepublication editorial control and to impose reasonable restrictions on student speech in school-sponsored publications. Thus, the following guidelines apply to all school-sponsored student publications.

1. School-sponsored publications are those publications, including, but not limited to, school newspapers, yearbooks, and athletic programs, which may fairly be characterized as part of the District’s curriculum, whether or not they occur in a traditional classroom setting. Generally they include student publications which are supervised by a faculty member and are designed to impart particular knowledge or skills to student participants and audiences. However, they also may include publications which students, parents, and members of the public reasonably perceive to be sponsored or approved by the District. The author’s name will accompany personal opinions and editorial statements. An opportunity for the expression of differing opinions from those published/produced will be provided within the same media.
2. The District will not restrict student freedom of expression when such expression is within the rules of responsible journalism and is consistent with the four factors outlined

below. The principal of each school shall meet with the publication advisor, student editors, and student writers to establish guidelines for achieving a maximum of student freedom of expression subject to the limitations set forth in this policy.

3. All publications must be reviewed and approved by the building principal prior to distribution. The building principal shall have the authority to determine the appropriateness of any particular item for publication. In exercising such authority, material will not be considered suitable for publication that is:
 - A. Ungrammatical;
 - B. Inadequately researched;
 - C. Obscene;
 - D. Defamatory;
 - E. Advocates prejudice based on race, religion, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression;
 - F. Invades the privacy rights of others;
 - G. Is unsuitable for the audiences for which the publication is intended;
 - H. Contributes to the disruption or interruption of the educational process or the operation of the school; or
 - I. Otherwise is contrary to District policy or applicable federal or State law.

The school principal may also exclude material that may serve to associate the District with any position other than neutrality on matters of political controversy.

4. The principal of each secondary school shall have the authority to determine whether advertising will be accepted for inclusion in school-sponsored student publications. The District has an important interest in avoiding the impression that it has endorsed a viewpoint at variance with its educational mission. Consequently, if advertising is accepted, each school principal shall have authority to exclude certain categories of advertising. For example, drug, drug paraphernalia, alcoholic beverage advertisements, or any other advertisements that may be viewed as encouraging action that might endanger the health and welfare of students may be excluded. Similarly, advertisements may be excluded if they are:
 - A. Factually inaccurate;
 - B. Defamatory;
 - C. Obscene;
 - D. Advocate prejudice based on race, religion, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression;
 - E. Contain either explicit or implicit sexual content or overtones; or a
 - F. Are of poor production quality.

The school principal may also exclude advertising that may serve to associate the District with any position other than neutrality on matters of political controversy.

5. In the event that the building principal determines that material is not suitable for publication, students may appeal such decision to the Superintendent or his or her designee. The decision of the Superintendent or his or her designee will be final.
6. Copies of each issue of the student publication shall be sent to the Superintendent and each member of the Board of Trustees.

Legal Reference: *Hazelwood School District v. Kuhlmeier*, 484 U.S. 260 (1988).

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Distribution and Posting of Materials

The distribution of materials from outside the school system uses a considerable amount of valuable educational time. This time is taken away from students, teachers, and the clerical staff. It is the District's policy to limit the distribution of materials to parent and student organizations sponsored by the District or other governmental agencies. Materials that provide information valued or needed by the District may also be distributed.

Students should not be used to distribute partisan materials or information pertaining to a school or general election, budget or bond issue, or negotiations. Students should not be exploited for the benefit of any individual, group, or profit-making organization.

No staff member may distribute any materials on school property without prior approval of the chief school administrator. All notices and notes sent home with students concerning school activities, programs, schedule changes, organizations, charges for equipment and materials, etc., shall be cleared with the building principal before being sent. Communications and notices of a personal nature that may cause embarrassment either to the parents or to the children if read by without a need to know should be sent to parents/guardians in sealed envelopes. Where possible, a personal interview is preferred to written communication. All materials distributed will clearly indicate their source. Non-school-related materials will be plainly labeled, including a disclaimer that the activity is "not a school-sponsored activity."

All organizations must have the approval of the Superintendent or designee before materials may be distributed. The Superintendent or designee will use the guidelines listed above in the approval of the distribution of the materials.

In order to facilitate the distribution of materials with information about student activities offered in the community, each school will do the following:

1. Maintain a centrally located bulletin board for the posting of bulletins;
2. Maintain a table where flyers and other information can be made available to students;
and
3. Include announcements for student related activities in newsletters that go home with students. The announcements must be submitted one week prior to the newsletter in which the announcement is to go home, must advertise a youth-oriented activity, and must be of non-religious, non-political nature.

It is the intent to post all notices and place flyers on the distribution table except those that are viewed by the principal as likely to be disruptive, libelous, or obscene.

Cross Reference: 3430 Distribution of Fund Drive Literature Through Students
 4240 Distribution of Fund Drive Literature Through Students

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Student Dress

One of the fundamental purposes of school is to provide the foundation for the creation and development of a proper attitude toward education. In order to further this purpose, it is essential to create and maintain an effective teaching and learning environment. Student attire impacts the teaching and learning environment. It can either promote a more effective educational environment, or it can disrupt the educational climate and process. Student attire that is acceptable for some social settings may not be acceptable for the educational environment of school.

Students are reminded that their appearance, clothing, and grooming significantly affect the way others respond to them. Matters of dress remain primarily the responsibility of students, in consultation with their parents or legal guardians. Nevertheless, since it is the duty of the Board of Trustees to provide an educational atmosphere conducive to learning; minimizing disruptions or distractions; and to protect the health, safety, and morals of students, all students will adhere to the following certain minimum standards of dress when the student is on any school premises or at any school sponsored activity, regardless of location.

In general, students are not to wear or carry items of apparel (clothing, accessories, cosmetics, tattoos, jewelry—including body piercings) which depict or allude to, by picture, symbol, or word, drugs, including alcohol and tobacco; controlled substances; drug paraphernalia; gangs; violence; sexually explicit, lewd, indecent, or offensive material; or illegal acts. The wearing, use, or display of any gang clothing or attire, jewelry, emblem, badge, symbol, sign, codes, or other things which evidence membership or affiliation in any gang (based upon the principal's or his or her designee's reasonable belief that gangs may be present in a school) is prohibited on any school premises or at any school sponsored activity, regardless of location.

Head coverings are inappropriate in the school building during regular school hours, unless the principal or designee specifically makes an exception to the policy.

Unless the principal or designee indicates otherwise, students will wear footwear at all times.

The Board of Trustees urges parents and students to exercise sound judgment, based upon the standard of appropriateness for the school setting. For example, clothing exposing bare midriffs and short shorts and skirts will not be allowed. The Superintendent or his or her designee is hereby authorized to promulgate regulations consistent with the provisions of this policy.

Interpretation and Implementation of Policy

The building principal/designee shall use reasonable discretion in interpreting and implementing the provisions of this policy. If a conflict arises in the interpretation of this policy, the

interpretation of the building principal or designee shall be final. Principals, administrators, and teachers shall use reasonable discretion in enforcing this policy.

Enforcement

Teachers and administrators may deny class entrance to students dressed or otherwise adorned inappropriately until arrangements may be made for their proper attire. All time missed from classes for failure to adhere to this policy will be deemed unexcused absences. Parents or guardians will be notified each time a student is asked to leave school because of inappropriate attire. Students who are insubordinate or refuse to change the improper attire, or who repeat dress code violations shall be subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension or expulsion, depending on all the facts and circumstances, for violating the standards of student conduct.

Temporary Exceptions

In order to allow appropriate attire for a particular educational or school activity, the building principal or his or her designee has the authority to grant temporary exceptions to specific provisions of this policy and related regulations. An example of such an exception might be where a specially scheduled school event required a group of students to dress unusually on a particular day.

Accommodations

The District will seek to accommodate cultural, religious, and ethnic differences in dress and grooming, provided such dress or grooming does not materially or substantially disrupt the educational process of the school or create a health or safety hazard for students, staff, or others. No student shall be required to modify their natural head or facial hair, such as by shaving or straightening through the application of heat or chemicals.

Legal Reference:	I.C. 33-506	Organization and Government of Board of Trustees
	I.C. 33-512(6)	Governance of Schools

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Student-Owned Electronic Communications Devices

Students, with permission of their parent(s)/guardian(s), or the student him or herself if over 18 years of age, may be in possession of personal electronic devices such as smart phones, cellular telephones, pagers/beepers, laptops, tablets, e-readers, or other related electronic devices on school property. The devices shall not be used in a manner that disrupts the educational process, including, but not limited to, posing a threat to academic integrity or violating confidentiality or privacy rights of another individual. Unless an emergency situation exists that involves imminent physical danger *or a certified District employee authorizes the student to do otherwise* (such as use in class), use of devices shall be limited to the period before classes begin in the morning, during the student's lunch period, and after the student's last class in the afternoon.

Access to the devices is a privilege and not a right. Each student will be required to follow the Acceptable Use of Electronic Networks Policy and the Internet Access Conduct Agreement.

Students may only access the internet through the filtered District connection, regardless of whether they are using their personal device or a District-issued device. District staff will not provide software or technical assistance for student-owned devices.

Because power cords stretched out in classrooms become a safety issue both for the students and devices, charging the device in any classroom, hallway, or any other location that may be a safety concern will not be allowed.

The use of cameras in any type of electronic device is strictly prohibited in locker rooms, restrooms, and classrooms unless *a certified District employee authorizes the student to do otherwise*. Where students are allowed to use electronic devices, they are required to obtain permission before taking a photograph or video of any individual. Students must also obtain permission from any individual appearing in a photograph or video prior to posting on any social networking site or other internet site.

Students found to be using any electronic communications device to, in any way, send or receive personal messages, data, or information that would contribute to or constitute cheating on any student assessment, project, or assignment shall be subject to discipline and the device shall be confiscated and not returned until a parent conference has been held.

Students are responsible for safeguarding devices they bring to school. The District shall not be responsible for loss, theft, damages, or destruction of student owned devices brought onto school property.

Students shall comply with any additional rules developed by the school concerning appropriate use of telecommunication or other electronic devices.

Students violating the provisions of this policy are subject to disciplinary action, including losing the privilege of bringing the device onto school property, detention, suspension, or expulsion. In addition, an administrator will confiscate the devices, which shall only be returned to the student's parent(s)/guardian(s). Where appropriate, police authorities may be contacted.

The controls on electronic communication devices contained in this policy do not apply to special education or Section 504 students or students with an Individualized Education Plan when any of these or other such similar plans conflict with uses outlined herein.

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District Provided Access to Electronic Information, Services, and Networks

Internet access and interconnected computer systems are available to the District's students and faculty. Electronic networks, including the internet, are a part of the District's instructional program in order to promote educational excellence by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, and communication.

In order for the District to be able to continue to make its computer network and internet access available, all users, including students, must take responsibility for appropriate and lawful use of this access. Students utilizing school-provided internet access are responsible for good behavior online. The same general rules for behavior apply to students' use of District-provided computer systems. Students must understand that one student's misuse of the network and internet access may jeopardize the ability of all students to enjoy such access. While the District's teachers and other staff will make reasonable efforts to supervise use of network and internet access, they must have student cooperation in exercising and promoting responsible use of this access and students must be held responsible and accountable for their own conduct.

Curriculum

In accordance with this policy and the Board's philosophy to ensure the safety of all students, the District shall provide an appropriate planned instructional component for internet safety which shall be integrated into the District's regular instructional program. In compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act this instruction will include information on the safe use of social networking sites and instant messaging, the characteristics of cyber-bullying and recommended responses.

The use of the District's electronic networks shall be consistent with the curriculum adopted by the District, as well as the varied instructional needs, learning styles, abilities, and developmental levels of the students, and shall comply with the selection criteria for instructional materials and library-media center materials. Staff may, consistent with the District's educational goals, use the internet throughout the curriculum.

The District's electronic network is part of the curriculum and is not a public forum for general use.

Acceptable Uses

1. The District provides students with an electronic network to support education and research and for the conduct of school business. Students' personal use of computers that is consistent with the District's educational mission may be permitted during class when authorized by a student's teacher or appropriate administrator. Personal use of District computers and networks outside of class is permissible, but must comply with District policy. Use is a

privilege, not a right. Students have no expectation of privacy in any materials that are stored, transmitted, or received via the District's electronic network or District computers. The District reserves the right to access, monitor, inspect, copy, review, and store, at any time and without prior notice, any and all usage of the computer network and internet access and any and all information transmitted or received in connection with such usage, including email and instant messages.

2. **Unacceptable Uses of Network.** The following are considered examples of unacceptable uses and constitute a violation of this policy. Additional unacceptable uses can occur other than those specifically listed or enumerated herein:
 - A. Uses that violate the law or encourage others to violate the law, including but not limited to transmitting offensive or harassing messages; offering for sale, use, or purchase any substance the possession or use of which is prohibited by the District's student discipline policy, local, State, or federal law; viewing, transmitting, or downloading pornographic materials or materials that encourage others to violate local, State, or federal law; information pertaining to the manufacture of weapons; intruding into the networks or computers of others; and downloading or transmitting confidential, trade secret information, or copyrighted materials;
 - B. Uses that cause harm to others or damage their property, person, or reputation, including but not limited to engaging in defamation (harming another's reputation by lies); employing another's password or some other user identifier that misleads message recipients into believing that someone other than you is communicating; reading another person's communications; sharing another person's pictures, private information, or messages without their permission; or otherwise using his or her access to the network or the internet;
 - C. Uploading a worm, virus, other harmful form of programming or vandalism; participating in "hacking" activities or any form of unauthorized access to other computers, networks, or other information. Users will immediately notify the school's system administrator if they have identified a possible security problem. Users will not go looking for security problems, because this may be construed as an illegal attempt to gain access.
 - D. Uses amounting to harassment, sexual harassment, bullying, or cyber-bullying defined as using a computer, computer system, or computer network to convey a message in any format, including audio or video, text, graphics, photographic, or any combination thereof that is intended to harm another individual.
 - E. Uses that jeopardize the security of student access and of the computer network or other networks on the internet; uses that waste District resources including downloading very large files without permission from a teacher, unnecessary printing, and consuming excess file space on shared drives.
 - F. Uses that are commercial transactions, including commercial or private advertising.

Students and other users may not sell or buy anything over the internet. Students and others should not give personal information to others, including credit card numbers and social security numbers.

- G. The promotion of election or political campaigns, issues dealing with private or charitable organizations or foundations, ballot issues, or proselytizing in a way that presents such opinions as the view of the District.
- H. Sending, receiving, viewing, or downloading obscene materials, materials harmful to minors, or materials that depict the sexual exploitation of minors.
- I. Disclosing identifying personal information or arranging to meet persons met on the internet or by electronic communications; sharing one's password with others or allowing them to use one's account.
- J. Downloading, installing, or copying software or other files without authorization of the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee.
- K. Posting or sending messages anonymously or using a name other than one's own.
- L. Attempting to bypass internal or external security systems or controls using District equipment. Students and staff may only access the internet using the District network.
- M. Plagiarism of material accessed online. Teachers will instruct students in appropriate research and citation practices.
- N. Using the network while access privileges are revoked.

Internet Safety

Each District computer with internet access shall have a filtering device that blocks access to visual depictions that are obscene, pornographic, harmful, or inappropriate for students, as defined by the Children's Internet Protection Act and as determined by the Superintendent or designee.

The District will also monitor the online activities of students, through direct observation and/or technological means, to ensure that students are not accessing such depictions or other material that is inappropriate and/or harmful to minors. The Superintendent or designee shall enforce the use of such filtering devices.

The term "harmful to minors" is defined by the Communications Act of 1934 (47 USC Section 254 [h][7]), as any picture, image, graphic image file, or other visual depiction that:

1. Taken as a whole and with respect to minors, appeals to a prurient interest in nudity, sex, or excretion; or

2. Depicts, describes, or represents, in a patently offensive way with respect to what is suitable for minors, an actual or simulated sexual act or sexual contact, actual or simulated normal or perverted sexual acts, or a lewd exhibition of the genitals;

And, taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value as to minors.

The term “harmful to minors” is also defined in Section 18-1514(6), Idaho Code, which provides:

1. The quality of any material or of any performance of any description or representation, in whatever form, of nudity, sexual conduct, sexual excitement, or sado-masochistic abuse, when it:
 - A. Appeals to the prurient interest of minors as judged by the average person, applying contemporary community standards; and
 - B. Depicts or describes representations or descriptions of nudity, sexual conduct, sexual excitement, or sado-masochistic abuse which are patently offensive to prevailing standards in the adult community with respect to what is suitable material for minors and includes, but is not limited to, patently offensive representations or descriptions of:
 - I. Intimate sexual acts, normal or perverted, actual or simulated; or
 - II. Masturbation, excretory functions, or lewd exhibits of the genitals or genital area. Nothing herein contained is intended to include or proscribe any matter which, when considered as a whole, and in context in which it is used, possesses serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value for minors, according to prevailing standards in the adult community, with respect to what is suitable for minors.
2. The quality of any material or of any performance, or of any description or representation, in whatever form, which, as a whole, has the dominant effect of substantially arousing sexual desires in persons under the age of 18 years.

Internet Filtering

Filtering is only one of a number of techniques used to manage students’ access to the internet and encourage acceptable usage. It is not viewed as a foolproof approach to preventing access to material considered inappropriate or harmful to minors. Anything that falls under at least one of the categories below shall be blocked and filtered. This list will be updated/modified as required.

1. Nudity/pornography: Prevailing U.S. standards for nudity, provocative semi-nudity, sites which contain pornography or links to pornographic sites;

2. Sexuality: Sites which contain material of a mature level, images or descriptions of sexual aids, descriptions of sexual acts or techniques, sites which contain inappropriate personal ads;
3. Violence: Sites which promote violence, images or description of graphically violent acts, graphic autopsy or crime-scene images;
4. Crime: Information on performing criminal acts (e.g., drug or bomb making, computer hacking), illegal file archives (e.g., software piracy);
5. Drug Use: Sites which promote the use of illegal drugs, material advocating the use of illegal drugs (e.g. marijuana, LSD), or abuse of any drug. Exception: material with valid-educational use;
6. Tastelessness: Images or descriptions of excretory acts (e.g., vomiting, urinating), graphic medical images outside of a medical context;
7. Language/Profanity: Passages/words too coarse to be softened by the word filter, profanity within images/sounds/multimedia files, adult humor;
8. Discrimination/Intolerance: Material advocating discrimination (e.g., racial or religious intolerance); sites which promote intolerance, hate, or discrimination;
9. Interactive Mail or Chat: Sites which contain or allow inappropriate email correspondence, sites which contain or allow inappropriate chat areas;
10. Inappropriate Banners: Advertisements containing inappropriate images or words;
11. Gambling: Sites which allow or promote online gambling;
12. Weapons: Sites which promote illegal weapons, sites which promote the use of illegal weapons;
13. Self-Harm: Sites containing content on self harm including cutting, and sites that encourage anorexia, bulimia, etc.; and
14. Judgment Calls: Whether a page is likely to have more questionable material in the future (e.g., sites under construction whose names indicate questionable material)

Filtering should also be used in conjunction with:

1. Educating students to be “Net-smart”;
2. Using recognized internet gateways as a searching tool and/or homepage for students, in order to facilitate access to appropriate material;
3. Using “Acceptable Use Agreements”;
4. Using behavior management practices for which internet access privileges can be earned or lost; and
5. Appropriate supervision, either in person and/or electronically.

The system administrator and/or Internet Safety Coordinator and/or building principal shall monitor student internet access.

Internet filtering software or other technology-based protection systems may be disabled by a supervising teacher or school administrator, as necessary, for purposes of bona fide research or other educational projects being conducted by students age 18 and older.

The Internet Safety Coordinator shall set a process for reviewing student claims that access has been denied to internet material that is not within the prohibitions of this policy and for unblocking such materials when appropriate.

Review of filtering technology and software shall be done on a periodic basis and is the responsibility of the Internet Safety Coordinator. It shall be the responsibility of the Internet Safety Coordinator to bring to the Superintendent or designee any suggested modification of the filtering system and to address and assure that the filtering system meets the standards of Idaho Code 18-1514 and any other applicable provisions of Chapter 15, Title 18, Idaho Code.

Confidentiality of Student Information

Personally identifiable information concerning students may not be disclosed or used in any way on the internet without the permission of a parent or guardian and the student or, if the student is 18 or over, the permission of the student. Students should be aware that conduct on the District's computer or using the District's server may be subject to public disclosure depending upon the nature of the communication. Users should never give out private or confidential information about themselves or others on the internet, particularly credit card numbers and social security numbers. Staff members may approve exceptions in the case of applications for college or employment.

Student Use of Social Media

Students will be held accountable for the content of the communications that they post on social media websites and are responsible for complying with District policy. Students may not disrupt the learning atmosphere, educational programs, school activities, or the rights of others.

All requirements of this policy apply to use of social media through the District network or equipment or as part of a class assignment.

Internet Access Conduct Agreements

Each student and his or her parent(s)/legal guardian(s) will be required to sign and return to the school at the beginning of each school year the Internet Access Conduct Agreement prior to having access to the District's computer system and/or internet service. The parent or guardian of any student may request that their child not be allowed access to the internet by providing a written request to the building secretary.

Warranties/Indemnification

The District makes no warranties of any kind, express or implied, in connection with its provision of access to and use of its computer networks and the internet provided under this policy. The District is not responsible for any information that may be lost, damaged, or unavailable when using the network, or for any information that is retrieved or transmitted via the internet. The District will not be responsible for any unauthorized charges or fees resulting from access to the internet, and any user is fully responsible to the District and shall indemnify

and hold the District, its trustees, administrators, teachers, and staff harmless from any and all loss, costs, claims, or damages resulting from such user's access to its computer network and the internet, including but not limited to any fees or charges incurred through purchases of goods or services by the user. The user or, if the user is a minor, the user's parent(s)/legal guardian(s) agrees to cooperate with the District in the event the school initiates an investigation of a user's use of his or her access to its computer network and the internet.

Violations

If any user violates this policy, the student's access to the District's internet system and computers will be denied, if not already provided, or withdrawn and he or she may be subject to additional disciplinary action. The system administrator will make all decisions regarding whether or not a user has violated this policy and any related rules or regulations and may deny, revoke, or suspend access at any time, with his or her decision being final. Actions which violate local, State, or federal law may be referred to the local law enforcement agency.

If the actions of the individual are also in violation of other District discipline policies, said student shall be subject to additional possible disciplinary action based upon these policies.

Internet Safety Coordinator

The Superintendent shall serve, or appoint someone to serve, as "Internet Safety Coordinator" with responsibility and authority for ensuring compliance with the requirements of federal law, State law, and this policy. The Internet Safety Coordinator shall develop and maintain administrative procedures to enforce the provisions of this policy and coordinate with the appropriate District personnel regarding the internet safety component of the District's curriculum. The Internet Safety Coordinator shall handle any complaints about the enforcement of this policy or refer them to other appropriate personnel depending on the nature of the complaint.

The Internet Safety Coordinator shall maintain documentation evidencing that instruction by school personnel on internet safety are occurring District wide.

Public Notification

The Internet Safety Coordinator shall inform the public via the main District webpage of the District's procedures regarding enforcement of this policy and make them available for review at the District office.

Submission to State Department of Education

This policy shall be filed with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction every five years after initial submission and subsequent to any edit to this policy thereafter.

Cross Reference: 2326 Digital Citizenship and Safety Education
3330 Student Discipline

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-132 Local School Boards Internet Use Policy Required
I.C. § 18-1514(6) Obscene Materials – Definitions
20 U.S.C. § 9134(f) Internet Safety
20 U.S.C. § 7131 Internet Safety

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Joint School District No. 171

STUDENTS

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INTERNET ACCESS CONDUCT AGREEMENT

Every student, regardless of age, must read and sign below:

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the terms of Joint School District No. 171's policy regarding District-provided Access to Electronic Information, Services, and Networks (Policy No. 3270). Should I commit any violation or in any way misuse my access to the District's computer network or the Internet, I understand and agree that my access privileges may be revoked and school disciplinary action may be taken against me.

User's Name (Print): _____ Home Phone: _____

User's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Status: Student ____ Staff ____ Patron ____ I am 18 or older ____ I am under 18 ____

If I am signing this policy when I am under 18, I understand that when I turn 18, this policy will continue to be in full force and effect and agree to abide by this policy.

Parent or Legal Guardian. *(If the applicant is under 18 years of age, a parent/legal guardian must also read and sign this agreement.):* As the parent or legal guardian of the above named-student, I have read, understand, and agree that my child shall comply with the terms of the District's policy regarding District-Provided Access to Electronic Information, Services, and Networks for the student's access to the District's computer network and the Internet. I understand that access is being provided to the students for educational purposes only. However, I also understand that it is impossible for the school to restrict access to all offensive and controversial materials and understand my child's responsibility for abiding by the policy. I am, therefore, signing this Agreement and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the District, the Trustees, Administrators, teachers, and other staff against all claims, damages, losses, and costs, of whatever kind, that may result from my child's use of his or her access to such networks or his or her violation of the District's policy. Further, I accept full responsibility for supervision of my child's use of his or her access account if and when such access is not in the school setting. I hereby give my child permission to use the building-approved account to access the District's computer network and the Internet.

Parent/Guardian (Print): _____ Home Phone: _____

User's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

This Agreement is valid for the _____ school year only.

Acceptable Use of Electronic Networks

All use of electronic networks shall be consistent with the District's goal of promoting educational excellence by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, and communication. These procedures do not attempt to state all required or proscribed behaviors by users. However, some specific examples are provided. **The failure of any user to follow these procedures will result in the loss of privileges, disciplinary action, and/or appropriate legal action.**

Terms and Conditions

1. Acceptable Use: Access to the District's electronic networks must be:
 - A. For the purpose of education or research and consistent with the educational objectives of the District; or
 - B. For legitimate business use.
2. Privileges: The use of the District's electronic networks is a privilege, not a right, and inappropriate use will result in cancellation of those privileges. The system administrator (**AND/OR building principal AND/OR Internet Safety Coordinator**) will make all decisions regarding whether or not a user has violated these procedures, and may deny, revoke, or suspend access at any time. An appeal of such decisions may be made to the Superintendent within seven days. His or her decision is final.
3. Unacceptable Uses: The user is responsible for his or her actions and activities involving the network. Some examples of unacceptable uses are the following:
 - A. Using the network for any illegal activity, or to access websites encouraging illegal activity including violation of copyright or other contracts, or transmitting any material in violation of any U.S. or State law;
 - B. Accessing information pertaining to the manufacture of weapons;
 - C. Uses that cause harm to others or damage property;
 - D. Unauthorized downloading of software, regardless of whether it is copyrighted or de-virused;
 - E. Downloading copyrighted material;
 - F. Using the network for private financial or commercial activities;
 - G. Wastefully using resources, such as file space;
 - H. Hacking or gaining unauthorized access to files, resources, or entities; uploading a worm, virus, or other harmful form of programming;
 - I. Invading the privacy of individuals, which includes the unauthorized disclosure, dissemination, and use of information of a personal nature about anyone;
 - J. Using another user's account or password or some other user identifier that misleads message recipients into believing that someone other than you is communicating;

- K. Posting material authored or created by another, without his or her consent;
 - L. Posting anonymous messages;
 - M. Using the network for commercial or private advertising;
 - N. Accessing, submitting, posting, publishing, or displaying any defamatory, inaccurate, abusive, obscene, profane, sexually oriented, threatening, racially offensive, harassing, bullying, or illegal material; and
 - O. Using the network while access privileges are suspended or revoked;
 - P. Promotion of political, personal, or religious causes in a way that presents such opinions as the view of the District;
 - Q. Disclosing identifying personal information or arranging to meet persons met on the internet or by electronic communications; and
 - R. Any other unacceptable uses as outlined in District Policy 3270.
4. Network Etiquette – The user is expected to abide by the generally accepted rules of network etiquette. These include, but are not limited to, the following:
- A. Be polite. Do not become abusive in messages to others.
 - B. Use appropriate language. Do not swear or use vulgarities or any other inappropriate language.
 - C. Do not reveal personal information (including the addresses or telephone numbers) of students or staff.
 - D. Recognize that e-mail is not private. People who operate the system have access to all mail. Messages relating to or in support of illegal activities may be reported to the authorities.
 - E. Do not use the network in any way that would disrupt its use by other users.
 - F. Consider all communications and information accessible via the network to be private property.
5. No Warranties: The District makes no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for the service it is providing. The District will not be responsible for any damages the user suffers. This includes loss of data resulting from delays, non-deliveries, missed deliveries, or service interruptions caused by its negligence or the user's errors or omissions. Use of any information obtained via the internet is at the user's own risk. The District specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through its services.
6. Indemnification: The user agrees to indemnify the District for any losses, costs, or damages (including reasonable attorney fees) incurred by the District, relating to or arising out of any violation of these procedures.
7. Security: Network security is a high priority. If the user can identify a security problem on the internet, the user must notify the system administrator, Internet Safety Coordinator, or building principal. Do not demonstrate the problem to other users. Keep your account and password confidential. Do not use another individual's account. Attempts to log on to the internet as a system administrator will result in cancellation of user privileges. Any user identified as a security risk may be denied access to the network.

8. Vandalism: Vandalism will result in the cancellation of privileges and other disciplinary action. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy data of another user, the internet, or any other network. This includes, but is not limited to, the uploading or creation of computer viruses.
9. Telephone Charges: The District assumes no responsibility for any unauthorized charges or fees, including telephone charges, long-distance charges, per-minute surcharges, or equipment or line costs.
10. Copyright Web Publishing Rules: Copyright law and District policy prohibit the republishing of text or graphics found on the internet or on District websites or file servers, without explicit written permission.
 - A. For each republication on a website or file server of a graphic or text file that was produced externally, there must be a notice at the bottom of the page crediting the original producer and noting how and when permission was granted. If possible, the notice should also include the website address of the original source.
 - B. Students engaged in producing website pages must provide library media specialists with e-mail or hard copy permissions before the website pages are published. Printed evidence of the status of “public domain” documents must be provided.
 - C. The absence of a copyright notice may not be interpreted as permission to copy the materials. Only the copyright owner may provide the permission. The manager of the website displaying the material may not be considered a source of permission.
 - D. The “fair use” rules governing student reports in classrooms are less stringent and permit limited use of graphics and text.
 - E. Student work may only be published if there is written permission from both the parent/guardian and the student.
 - F. Violation of the copyright web publishing rules may result in denial of access to the network.
11. Use of Electronic Mail.
 - A. The District’s electronic mail system, and its constituent software, hardware, and data files, are owned and controlled by the District. The District provides e-mail to aid students in fulfilling their duties and responsibilities and as an education tool.
 - B. Email could be subject to public records requests and disclosures depending upon the subject matter of the contents of the email.
 - C. The District reserves the right to access and disclose the contents of any account on its system, without prior notice or permission from the account’s user. Unauthorized

access by any student to an electronic mail account is strictly prohibited.

- D. Each person should use the same degree of care in drafting an electronic mail message that would be put into a written memorandum or document. Nothing should be transmitted in an e-mail message that would be inappropriate in a letter or memorandum.
- E. Electronic messages transmitted via the District's internet gateway carry with them an identification of the user's internet "domain." This domain name is a registered domain name and identifies the author as being with the District. Great care should be taken, therefore, in the composition of such messages and how such messages might reflect on the name and reputation of this District. Users will be held personally responsible for the content of any and all electronic mail messages transmitted to external recipients.
- F. Any message received from an unknown sender via the internet should either be immediately deleted or forwarded to the system administrator. Downloading any file attached to any internet-based message is prohibited, unless the user is certain of that message's authenticity and the nature of the file so transmitted.
- G. Use of the District's electronic mail system constitutes consent to these regulations.

Internet Safety

1. Internet access is limited to only those "acceptable uses," as detailed in these procedures.
2. Staff members shall supervise students while students are using District internet access at school, to ensure that the students abide by the Terms and Conditions for Internet access, as contained in these procedures.
3. Each District computer with Internet access has a filtering device that blocks entry to visual depictions that are obscene, pornographic, or harmful or inappropriate for students as defined by the Children's Internet Protection Act and as determined by the Superintendent or designee. Students must use the District's filtered network for all online activities on school grounds or using District equipment.
4. The system administrator, Internet Safety Coordinator, and/or building principals shall monitor student Internet access.

Student Use of Social Media

Students will be held accountable for the content of the communications that they post on social media locations and are responsible for complying with District policy and procedures for content posted using a District computer, network, or software or when posted during school hours when the student is in attendance at school. Student posts on social media locations outside of school hours and school grounds using a personal computer, network, and software shall be private as long as they do not enter into the educational setting and interfere with the orderly

operation of the school. Posts to social network sites using a District computer, network, or software may be subject to public records requests. Students may not disrupt the learning atmosphere, educational programs, school activities, or the rights of others.

All of the requirements and prohibitions in District policy and procedure apply to the use of social media on school grounds, through the District network or using District equipment, or as part of a class assignment.

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District Provided Mobile Computing Devices

Joint School District No. 171 is committed to providing a safe, rigorous, and engaging learning environment that prepares all students to be career and college ready. Accessing and using technological resources is one of the cornerstones of a 21st century education. This document describes the rules for acceptable use of District-issued mobile computing devices on and off District premises. Using these resources responsibly will promote educational excellence by facilitating resource sharing, fostering creativity, and promoting communication in a safe, secure environment for all users.

Distributing Mobile Computing Devices

Before they are issued a mobile computing device, each student must submit an executed Student Agreement for Mobile Computing Device Use and a copy of the Internet Access Conduct Agreement. Each form must be signed by the student and by their parent or guardian if they are less than 18 years of age.

The District may provide parent orientations on the mobile computing device program. A student's parents/guardians are encouraged to attend an orientation before the student takes a device home with them.

Parents or guardians of students may use the school-issued device, and their involvement in student learning through technology is strongly encouraged. However, use of school-issued technology outside of this purpose, such as for personal gain or activities unrelated to student learning, is prohibited. Both parent and student use of the District's device, network, and software may be subject to a public records request depending upon the content of the document or communication, including email.

Students may take the devices out of Idaho at the discretion of the building principal. The District directs the Superintendent to establish procedures for students to request permission to take the device with them.

At the end of the school year, the school will collect all devices from students. At the school's discretion, students may be issued devices to support summer school programs.

The Superintendent shall establish procedures for the maintenance of records regarding the devices, including tracking device inventory and which device is issued to which student.

Care and Safety

Students are responsible for the general care of the device they have been issued by the District and are expected to observe the following precautions:

1. No food or drink is allowed next to a device while it is in use;
2. Insert and remove cords, cables, and removable storage devices carefully;
3. Shut down the device when not in use to conserve battery life;
4. Stickers, drawings, or permanent markers may not be used on the device;
5. Do not vandalize the devices or any other school property;
6. Devices must never be left in any unsupervised area.
7. Students are responsible for keeping their device's battery charged for school each day;
8. Do not place anything near the device that could put pressure on the screen;
9. Clean the screen with an anti-static cloth or any other soft, dry cloth; and
10. Devices should not be stored in a student's vehicle, or anyplace else subject to extreme temperatures.

The Superintendent will designate an individual or office at the school level where the devices must be taken if they break or fail to work properly.

Use at School

Devices are intended for use at school each day. Students are responsible for bringing their device to all classes, unless specifically advised not to do so by their teacher. Devices must be brought to school each day in a fully charged condition. Power cords must stay with the device at all times. Repeat failures to comply with these requirements will result in disciplinary action.

If students leave their device at home, they may phone their parent/guardian to bring it to school. Students without a device will use a computer in the classroom or a device from the lending pool depending upon availability and at the administrator's discretion. This includes students whose devices are undergoing repair.

Sound must be muted or headsets must be used at all times unless the teacher directs otherwise.

Students may use printers in classrooms, the library, and computer labs with teachers' permission during class or breaks. All printing should be limited to educational purposes.

Personalizing Mobile Computing Devices

While at no time does the device become the personal property of students or staff; students may place individualized items on the device, which are limited to music, pictures, and other items that do not hinder the network or device functionality.

Students may be permitted to select their own screen savers and backgrounds provided they are appropriate. Screensavers, backgrounds, or other pictures containing guns, weapons, pornographic materials, inappropriate language, alcohol, drugs, gang related symbols or pictures, the student's password or other items deemed inappropriate by the administration will result in disciplinary actions.

Students may not add options or upgrades to the device, change the operating system, or add unauthorized software or safety controls.

Should students or parents/guardians place personalized items on the device, such items may be accessed or viewed by District staff at any time, for any reason, including randomly selected device reviews. No content placed on District provided devices is privileged or confidential.

Managing Files

Once details are known about the availability of file space that is shared or is backed up automatically, the Superintendent will set a procedure for where students and teachers should save important documents.

Students should also back up their work frequently using removable file storage or by e-mailing important document to themselves. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that work is not lost due to mechanical failure or accidental deletion. Device malfunctions are not an acceptable excuse for not submitting work.

Software

The software originally installed by the District must remain on the device in usable condition and be easily accessible at all times.

From time to time the school may add or update software applications. The licenses for this software sometimes require that the software be deleted from devices at the completion of a course. Periodic reviews of devices will be made to ensure that students have deleted software that is no longer required in class and that the school has not exceeded its licenses.

All devices will be equipped with anti-virus protection software which will be upgraded regularly.

It is the responsibility of individual students to be aware of additional software programs and files loaded onto their device which are required for classes or school activities.

Students wishing to load additional software onto a device must first obtain the permission of the school's technology department. Any additional software must be appropriate for the school environment and comply with the Internet Access Conduct Agreement. Violent games and device images containing obscene or pornographic material are banned. The technology department shall determine whether a game is violent, and the student may appeal this decision to the principal. Each student is responsible for ensuring that only licensed software is loaded onto his or her device.

Inspection and Filtering

Filtering software will be used to prevent access to material considered inappropriate or harmful to minors.

Internet filtering software or other technology-based protection systems may be disabled by a supervising teacher or school administrator, as necessary, for purposes of bona fide research or other educational projects being conducted by students age 18 and older.

Students may be selected at random or for cause to provide their device for inspection. If technical difficulties occur or unauthorized software or any other violation of District policy is discovered, all files and the hard drive may be reformatted. Only authorized software will be installed. The District does not accept responsibility for the loss of any software or other materials deleted due to a reformat and reimage.

Electronic mail, network usage, and all stored files shall not be considered confidential and may be monitored at any time by designated District staff to ensure appropriate use. The District will cooperate fully with local, State, or federal officials in any investigation concerning or relating to violations of law.

Remote Access of Devices

Devices may be equipped with the ability to be accessed remotely in the case of technical problems requiring remote assistance, missing or stolen devices, or other for any other appropriate District purpose. A student does not need to be asked for permission prior to remote software maintenance.

Acceptable Use

Access to the devices is a privilege and not a right. Each employee, student, and parent will be required to follow the Internet Access Conduct Agreement and the Acceptable Use of Electronic Networks Policy. Violation of these policies, whether by the student or another party, while the device is in student custody may result in disciplinary action for the student, possible revocation of device privileges, and/or contacting law enforcement authorities.

Protecting and Storing Devices

Students are expected to password protect their devices and shall keep their password confidential.

When students are not using their devices, the devices should be stored in their lockers. Students are encouraged to take their devices home every day after school.

Under no circumstances should devices be left in unsupervised areas. Unsupervised areas include the school grounds, the cafeteria, computer lab, locker rooms, library, unlocked classrooms, dressing rooms, and hallways. Unsupervised devices will be confiscated by staff and taken to the building principal's office. Disciplinary action may be taken for leaving a device in an unsupervised location.

Repair of Devices

Students are to report all device problems to the building principal.

The Superintendent will issue a document clarifying student or parent responsibility for lost and damaged devices when the details of the District's insurance policy are known.

Cross Reference: 3270F Internet Access Conduct Agreement
 3270P Acceptable Use of Electronic Networks
 3270P2 Device Acceptable Use Policy

Legal Reference: Technology Task Force Final Task Force Recommendations
 Children's Internet Protection Act, P.L. 106-55420 U.S.C. § 6801, et seq.
 47 U.S.C. § 254(h) and (l) Universal Service

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Joint School District No. 171

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MOBILE COMPUTING DEVICE AGREEMENT

This Agreement is valid for the _____ school year only.

Every student, regardless of age, must read and sign below:

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the terms of the Orofino School District's policies regarding District-provided mobile computing devices (Policy No. 3275). Should any violation or misuse of the device occur while it is in my custody, I understand and agree that I may lose access to the device, or may lose the privilege of taking it home, and will forfeit any fees paid for use of the device, regardless of whether the misuse was committed by me or another person.

I accept full responsibility for the safe and secure handling of the device for this school year. I accept full responsibility for the proper use and safeguarding of the device under all applicable policies. I understand that it is my responsibility to immediately report any damage, theft, or problems with the device to a teacher or administrator.

User's Name (Print)_____ Home Phone:_____

User's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Address:_____

Status: ____ I am 18 or older ____ I am under 18

If I am signing this policy when I am under 18, I understand that when I turn 18, this policy will continue to be in full force and effect and agree to abide by this policy.

Parent or Legal Guardian: If the applicant is under 18 years of age, a parent/legal guardian must also read and sign this agreement.

As the parent/guardian of the above student, I understand my child's responsibility in the use and care of the device and my financial responsibility in the event my student loses the device or is found to be the cause of deliberate or negligent damage to it. I understand that if he or she is found to be responsible for deliberate or negligent damage or for the loss of the device, I will be financially responsible for reasonable repair/replacement cost.

I have read the District Policy No. 3275 and explained it to my child. I understand that if any violation or misuse of the device occurs while it is in my child's custody, his or her access privileges to the internet or use of a mobile computing device can be suspended or terminated, that he or she will forfeit any fees paid for use of the device, and that he or she may face other disciplinary measures, regardless of whether the misuse was committed by him or her or by

another person.

I also understand that I will be responsible for monitoring my student's use of the device outside the school setting.

_____ I do not wish my son/daughter to take the device home at this time.

Parent/Legal Guardian (Print): _____

Signature: _____

Home Phone: _____

Address: _____

Date: _____

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Equal Education, Nondiscrimination, and Sex Equity

Equal educational opportunities shall be available for all students without regard to race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, ethnicity, age, language barrier, religious beliefs, physical and mental handicap or disability, economic or social conditions, or actual or potential marital or parental status or status as a homeless child.

No student shall, on the basis of sex, be denied equal access to programs, activities, services, or benefits or be limited in the exercise of any right, privilege, advantage, or denied equal access to educational and extracurricular programs and activities.

Inquiries regarding discrimination should be directed to the District Title IX or Nondiscrimination Coordinator. An individual with a complaint alleging a violation of this policy shall follow the Uniform Grievance Procedure.

In compliance with federal regulations, the District will notify annually all students, parents, staff, community members, and unions or professional organizations the District holds a collective bargaining agreement with of this policy and the designated coordinator to receive inquiries. Notification should include the name and location of the coordinator, as well as a statement that the District will provide equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The notification will be provided in all handbooks.

The District will not tolerate hostile or abusive treatment, derogatory remarks, or acts of violence because of disability against students, staff, or volunteers with disabilities. The District considers this behavior to constitute discrimination on the basis of disability in violation of State and federal law.

Legal Reference:	I.C. § 67-5909	Acts Prohibited
	20 U.S.C. § 1681, et seq.	Title IX of the Educational Amendments
	29 U.S.C. § 794	Non Discrimination Under Federal Grants and Programs Act
	42 U.S.C. § 6101	Age Discrimination Act
	42 U.S.C. § 12134	Americans with Disabilities Act

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3281

Gender Identity and Sexual Orientation

The Board believes in fostering an educational environment that is safe and free of discrimination for all students, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. This policy is designed to create a safe learning environment for all students and to ensure that every student has equal access to all school programs and activities. Failure of any school student or school employee to abide by the terms and provisions of this policy will subject such individual to disciplinary action.

Definitions

“Sexual orientation” shall mean an individual's physical or emotional attraction to the same and/or the opposite gender. "Gay," "lesbian," "bisexual" and "straight" are all examples of sexual orientations. A person's sexual orientation is distinct from a person's gender identity and expression.

“Gender identity” shall refer to a person's deeply felt internal sense of their own gender.

“Gender expression” shall refer to how a person expresses their gender to others, often through behavior, clothing, hairstyles, activities, voice, or mannerisms.

“Transgender,” an adjective, shall refer to a person whose gender identity or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the person's sex assigned at birth.

School Facilities

In the case of middle/junior high school students and high school students, the principal or building administrator is encouraged to request a meeting with a transgender student and, if the student grants permission, with their parent/guardian upon the student's enrollment in the District or in response to a currently enrolled student's change of gender expression or identity. The goal of the meeting is to develop understanding of that student's needs with respect to their gender identity.

In the case of elementary school students, it will generally be the parent/guardian that informs the school of the impending transition. However, if the school's staff believes that a gender identity or expression issue is presenting itself and creating difficulty for the child at school, it may be appropriate for the school's administrative staff and/or counselor to approach the student's parent/guardian about the issue. An individual teacher shall not approach a student's parent/legal guardian to address such a student situation without first conferring with the school's administration about the subject and obtaining permission to enter into such a discussion. A meeting may be held at the request of the student's parent/guardian or at the request of the

principal or building administrator. Together, the family and school can identify appropriate steps, if any, to support the student.

Students will be allowed to use the restrooms and locker rooms that correspond to the gender identity they consistently assert at school. No student will be required to use facilities that conflict with his or her gender identity consistently asserted at school. A transgender student or any other student who has a need or desire for increased privacy may be given the option of using a separate or private restroom or changing area, such as a single stall restroom, if such is available. No student shall, on account of their transgender status, be required to use such separate facilities.

School Activities

The District will provide all students the opportunity to participate in any activities segregated by gender in a manner that is consistent with their gender identity consistently asserted at school. However, activities under the direction of the Idaho High School Activities Association (IHSAA) shall be subject to IHSAA rules and regulations.

School Trips

In the case of overnight trips sponsored by the District, students will be assigned sleeping rooms that correspond to the gender identity they consistently assert at school or to a private sleeping room. No student shall be required to sleep in a private room or in an assigned room conflicting with his or her consistently asserted school gender identity.

In no case will a transgender student be denied the right to participate in an overnight trip because of that student's transgender status.

In no case will a student be denied the right to participate in an overnight trip because of that student's sexual orientation. Likewise, a student will not be required to use a private sleeping room or be denied participation on the basis of that student's sexual orientation.

Student Records and Privacy

The District's official records required by law shall utilize a student's legal name. In situations where State or federal law or administrative rules require school employees to use or report a student's legal name or gender, such legal name or gender shall be utilized. However, school staff shall use practices to avoid the inadvertent disclosure of the student's transgender status.

Information regarding a student's sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, legal name, or gender assigned at birth may constitute confidential information. Disclosure of such information shall be in accordance with District policies pertaining to student privacy. The student's educational record shall not include mention of the student's sexual orientation.

However, in the course of ordinary school interactions and communication, District staff shall use the name and pronouns consistently asserted by the student at school, regardless of the student's legal name and sex. A student is not required to legally change their name, gender, or official school records as a prerequisite to the use of a name and the pronouns consistent with the student's identity. Intentional and persistent refusal to use the name and gender by which the student identifies is a violation of this policy and may subject an employee to discipline, up to and including possible termination.

Change of Official School Records

District records required by law to include the student's legal name and/or gender will be changed by the District upon the student or former student's presentation of appropriate documentation to the District Office. Any current or former student may present to the Superintendent or designee responsible for student records a copy of a court order or birth certificate identifying a change the student's legal name and/or gender. The student's records will be changed accordingly.

Confidentiality

School employees should not disclose a student's transgender status or sexual orientation to other individuals, regardless of setting, including the other school personnel or (in the case of middle school, junior high school, and high school students) the student's parents/guardians, unless they have a legitimate need to know or unless the student has authorized such disclosure. Action in violation of such student confidentiality may subject an employee to discipline, up to and including possible termination and for certificated personnel, a report to the Professional Standards Commission.

When contacting the parent/guardian of a transgender student, school personnel should use the student's legal name and the pronoun corresponding to the student's gender assigned at birth unless the student or parent/guardian has specified otherwise.

Training

The District may conduct staff development or awareness activities for students or parents on transgender issues or gender diversity. However, in regard to such activities the District and its personnel shall not disclose the transgender status of any student without permission of that student and their parent(s)/guardian(s).

Dress Codes

School dress codes shall be gender neutral in all situations, including attire during the traditional school day, school activities including dances and prom, and graduation. The District will allow students to dress in a manner that is consistent with their gender identity within the constraints of the dress codes and any other rules regarding student attire.

Students may wear clothing or accessories that voice their views on lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) issues, regardless of viewpoint, provided these conform to the dress code; are not a disruption to the educational environment; and are not obscene, threatening, lewd, or vulgar.

School Dances

The District shall not impose different or unique practices or rules for same sex couples who attend and/or participate in school activities, including dances. This includes such matters as prohibition of attendance of same sex student couples, limitations of public displays of affection only applicable to same sex couples, discounted couples tickets, gender identity for dance court titles that correspond to birth sex, and other such distinctions.

Safe Environment

It is the responsibility of the District to ensure all students, including LGBT students, have a safe school environment. Discrimination, harassment, bullying, or sexual harassment complaints involving LGBT students shall be handled in the same manner as other discrimination, harassment, bullying, and sexual harassment complaints.

Cross Reference: 2140 Student and Family Privacy Rights
 3255 Student Dress
 3280 Equal Education, Nondiscrimination, and Sex Equity
 3290 Sexual Harassment/Intimidation of Students
 3295 Hazing, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Cyber Bullying,
 Menacing
 3575 Student Data Privacy and Security

Legal Reference: 20 U.S.C. § 1681, et seq. Title IX of the Educational Amendments
 I.C. § 33-133(1)(j)(ii) Definitions—Student Data—Use and Limitations—
 Penalties

Other Reference: Idaho High School Activities Association Rules & Regulations, Rule 11-3
 Transgender Student Participation

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Relationship Abuse and Sexual Assault Prevention and Response

The Board endeavors to take steps to prevent and respond to known instances of relationship abuse and sexual assault. Such conduct by students or third parties is strictly prohibited and shall not be tolerated on District premises, or at any District sponsored activity, regardless of location including, but not be limited to buildings, facilities, and grounds on the District campus, school buses, District parking areas, and the location of any District sponsored activity. This includes instances in which the conduct occurs off the District premises, but impacts a District related activity.

Relationship abuse includes the intentional use of physical, sexual, verbal, or emotional abuse or violence by a person to harm, threaten, intimidate, or control another person in a current or past dating relationship. Sexual assault includes sexual violence, sexual abuse, sexual stalking, and rape.

Students whose behavior is found to be in violation of this policy will be subject to discipline, up to and including expulsion. Third parties whose behavior is found to be in violation of this policy shall be subject to appropriate sanctions as determined and imposed by the Superintendent or Board.

Students or third parties may also be referred to law enforcement officials. Should the District or any of its' employees have reason to believe that a child under the age of 18 year of age has been abused, abandoned, or neglected or has been subjected to conditions which would reasonably result in abuse, abandonment, or neglect, the school shall follow appropriate reporting requirements pursuant to the Child Protective Act.

The Superintendent is hereby directed to develop administrative procedures to implement this policy. Procedures shall include descriptions of prohibited conduct, the definition of abuse pursuant to the Child Protective Act, reporting and investigative procedures, prevention and response procedures, and provisions to ensure notice of this policy is provided to students.

The Board shall review this policy annually.

Other References: Questions and Answers on Title IX and Sexual Violence, U.S. Department of Education Office for Civil Rights

Cross References: 3210 Grievance Procedure and with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972

Legal References:	I.C. § 16-1601 et seq. I.D.A.P.A. 08.02.03.160	Child Protective Act Safe Environment and Discipline
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Sexual Harassment/Intimidation of Students

Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination and is prohibited in the District. An employee, District agent, or student engages in sexual harassment whenever he or she makes unwelcome advances; requests sexual favors; or engages in other verbal, non-verbal, or physical conduct of a sexual or sex-based nature, imposed on the basis of sex, that:

1. Denies or limits the provision of educational aid, benefits, services, opportunities, or treatment, or that makes such conduct a condition of a student's academic status; or
2. Has the purpose or effect of:
 - A. Substantially interfering with the student's educational environment;
 - B. Creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment;
 - C. Depriving a student of educational aid, benefits, services, opportunities or treatment; or
 - D. Making submission to or rejection of such unwelcome conduct the basis for academic decisions affecting a student.

The terms "intimidating," "hostile," and "offensive" include conduct which has the effect of humiliation, embarrassment, or discomfort. Examples of sexual harassment include, but are not limited to, unwelcome touching; crude jokes or pictures; discussions of sexual experiences; pressure for sexual activity; intimidation by words, actions, insults, or name calling; teasing related to sexual characteristics; and spreading rumors related to a person's alleged sexual activities.

Students who believe that they may have been sexually harassed or intimidated should contact a counselor, teacher, Title IX coordinator, or administrator who will assist them in the complaint process. Supervisors or teachers who knowingly condone, or fail to report or assist a student to take action to remediate such behavior of sexual harassment or intimidation, may themselves be subject to discipline.

Any District employee who is determined, after an investigation, to have engaged in sexual harassment will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including discharge. Any student of the District who is determined, after an investigation, to have engaged in sexual harassment will be subject to disciplinary action, including, but not limited to, suspension and/or expulsion consistent with the discipline policy. Any person knowingly making a false accusation regarding sexual harassment will likewise be subject to disciplinary action up to and including discharge with regard to employees, or suspension and expulsion with regard to students.

The District will make every effort to ensure that employees or students accused of sexual harassment or intimidation are given the appropriate opportunity to defend themselves against such accusations.

To the greatest extent possible, complaints will be treated in a confidential manner. Limited disclosure may be necessary in order to complete a thorough investigation. Retaliation against persons who file a complaint is a violation of law prohibiting discrimination, and will lead to disciplinary action against the offender.

Any individual seeking further information should contact the Superintendent for the name of the current Title IX Coordinator for the District. The Superintendent shall ensure that the student and employee handbooks identify the name, address, and telephone number of the individual responsible for coordinating the District's compliance efforts.

An individual with a complaint alleging a violation of this policy shall follow the Uniform Grievance Procedure.

Cross Reference: 3210 Uniform Grievance Procedure

Legal References: 20 U.S.C. § 1681, et seq. Title IX of the Educational Amendments
34 CFR Part 106 Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education
Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial
Assistance
I.C. § 67-5909 Acts Prohibited
IDAPA 08.02.03.160 Safe Environment and Discipline

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3290F

Harassment Reporting Form for Students

School _____ Date _____

Student's Name _____

(If you feel uncomfortable leaving your name, you may submit an anonymous report, but please understand that an anonymous report will be much more difficult to investigate. We assure you that we'll use our best efforts to keep your report confidential.)

Who was responsible for the harassment or incident(s)? _____

Describe the incident(s): _____

Date(s), time(s), and place(s) the incident(s) occurred: _____

Were other individuals involved in the incident(s)? ☐ yes ☐ no

If so, name the individual(s) and explain their roles: _____

Did anyone witness the incident(s)? ☐ yes ☐ no

If so, name the witnesses: _____

Did you take any action in response to the incident? ☐ yes ☐ no

If yes, what action did you take? _____

Were there any prior incidents? ☐ yes ☐ no

If so, describe any prior incidents: _____

Signature of complainant_____

Signatures of parents/legal guardian_____

STUDENTS

3295

Hazing, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Cyber Bullying

The Board of Trustees is committed to providing a positive and productive learning and working environment. Hazing, harassment, intimidation, cyber bullying, or bullying by students or third parties is strictly prohibited and shall not be tolerated in the District. This includes actions on school grounds, school property, school buses, at school bus stops, at school sponsored events and activities, and through the use of electronic technology or electronic communication equipment on school computers, networks, forums, or mailing lists and actions at locations outside of those listed above that can be reasonably expected to materially and substantially interfere with or disrupt the educational environment of the school or impinge on the rights of other students at school.

The Board expects all students to treat each other with civility and respect and not to engage in behavior that is harmful to another student or the property of another student. The Board expects students to conduct themselves in keeping with their level of maturity, with a proper regard for the rights and welfare of other students, for school personnel, and for the educational purpose underlying all school activities.

Discipline

Students whose behavior is found to be in violation of this policy will be subject to discipline and graduated consequences, up to and including expulsion consistent with the Board's policy on student discipline. Third parties whose behavior is found to be in violation of this policy shall be subject to appropriate sanctions as determined and imposed by the Superintendent or Board.

Students or third parties may also be referred to law enforcement officials.

Notification

Information on the District's bullying policy and relevant procedures shall be provided in writing at the beginning of each school year to school personnel, parents, and students in the District and included in student handbooks. Information provided to students shall be provided in a manner appropriate to the student's age, grade, and level of academic achievement.

Procedures

The Superintendent is directed to develop administrative procedures to implement this policy. Procedures shall include descriptions of prohibited conduct, reporting and investigative procedures, rules for disciplining students who violate this policy, and provisions to ensure notice of this policy is provided to students, teachers, and third parties.

Reporting

The District shall annually report bullying incidents to, and in the manner and on the form provided by, the State Department of Education.

The Board shall review this policy annually.

Cross Reference:	3330	Student Discipline
	5265	Employee Responsibilities Regarding Student Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying

Legal References:	I.C. § 18-917	Hazing
	I.C. § 18-917A	Student Harassment – Intimidation – Bullying
	I.C. § 33-205	Denial of School Attendance
	I.C. § 33-512	Governance of Schools
	I.C. § 33-1631	Requirements for Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying Information and Professional Development
	I.C. § 67-5909	Acts Prohibited
	20 U.S.C. § 1681, et seq.	Title IX of the Educational Amendments
	34 CFR Part 106	Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance
	I.D.A.P.A. 08.02.03.160	Safe Environment and Discipline

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COMPLAINT FORM

School _____ Date _____

Student's/Complainant's Name _____

(If you feel uncomfortable leaving your name, you may submit an anonymous report, but please understand that an anonymous report will be much more difficult to investigate. We assure you that we'll use our best efforts to keep your report confidential.)

Who was responsible for the incident(s)? _____

Describe the incident(s): _____

Date(s), time(s), and place(s) the incident(s) occurred: _____

Were other individuals involved in the incident(s)? ☐ yes ☐ no

If so, name the individual(s) and explain their roles: _____

Did anyone witness the incident(s)? ☐ yes ☐ no

If so, name the witnesses: _____

Is there any evidence of the incident(s) (i.e. letters, photos) ☐ yes ☐ no

If so, please describe: _____

Did you take any action in response to the incident? ☐ yes ☐ no

If yes, what action did you take: _____

Were there any prior incidents? ☐ yes ☐ no

If so, describe any prior incidents: _____

I agree that all of the information on this form is accurate and true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of complainant: _____

Signature of parents/legal guardian: _____

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3295P

Hazing, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Cyber Bullying

The following definitions and procedures shall be used for reporting, investigating, and resolving complaints of hazing, harassment, intimidation, bullying, and cyber bullying.

Definitions

1. "Third parties" include, but are not limited to, coaches, school volunteers, parents, school visitors, service contractors or others engaged in District business, such as employees of businesses or organizations participating in cooperative work programs with the District and others not directly subject to District control at inter-district and intra-district athletic competitions or other school events.
2. "District" includes District facilities, District property, buses, electronic technology or electronic communication equipment on District computers, networks, or forums and non-District property if the student or employee is at any District-sponsored, District-approved or District-related activity or function, such as field trips or athletic events where students are under the control of the District or where the employee is engaged in District business.
3. "Hazing" includes, but is not limited to, any act that recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental health, physical health, or safety of a student for the purpose of initiation or as a condition or precondition of attaining membership in, or affiliation with, any District-sponsored activity or grade level attainment, such as forced consumption of any drink, alcoholic beverage, drug, or controlled substance, forced exposure to the elements, forced prolonged exclusion from social contact, sleep deprivation or any other forced activity that could adversely affect the mental or physical health or safety of a student; requires, encourages, authorizes, or permits another to be subject to wearing or carrying any obscene or physically burdensome article, assignment of pranks to be performed or other such activities intended to degrade or humiliate.
4. "Harassment" includes, but is not limited to, any act which subjects an individual or group to unwanted, abusive behavior of a nonverbal, verbal, written, electronic, or physical nature on the basis of an actual or perceived characteristic, including but not limited to age, race, religion, color, national origin, disability, gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, physical characteristic, cultural background, socioeconomic status, geographic location, familial status, marital status, or weight.
5. "Harassment, intimidation, or bullying" means any act that substantially interferes with or disrupts the educational environment or impinges on the rights of other students at school, a student's opportunities or performance, that takes place on or immediately adjacent to

school grounds, school property, at any school-sponsored activity, on school-provided transportation or at any official school bus stop, and that has the effect of:

- A. Harming a student or damaging a student's property;
 - B. Knowingly placing a student in reasonable fear of harm to the student or damage to the student's property; or
 - C. Is sufficiently severe, persistent, or pervasive so that it creates an intimidating, threatening, abusive, or hostile educational environment.
6. "Cyber bullying" includes, but is not limited to the following misuses of technology: harassing, teasing, intimidating, threatening, or terrorizing another person by sending or posting inappropriate and hurtful e-mail messages, instant messages, text messages, digital pictures or images, or website postings, including blogs through the District's computer network and the internet, whether accessed on campus or off campus, during or after school hours or through any private electronic device done when the student is present at school. In the situation that cyber bullying originated from a non-school computer, but has been brought to the attention of school officials, any disciplinary actions shall be based on whether the conduct is determined to be reasonably expected to materially and substantially interfere with or disrupt educational environment of the school or impinge on the rights of other students at school and/or in violation of District policy or state law. The Administration shall, at their discretion, contact local law enforcement.
7. "Intimidation" includes, but is not limited to, any threat or act intended to tamper, substantially damage or interfere with another's property, cause substantial inconvenience, subject another to offensive physical contact or inflict serious physical injury on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, gender identity and expression, or sexual orientation.

Retaliation/False Charges

Retaliation against any person who reports or is thought to have reported, filed a complaint, or otherwise participated in an investigation or inquiry is prohibited. Such retaliation shall be considered a serious violation of Board policy, independent of whether a complaint is substantiated. False charges shall also be regarded as a serious offense and will result in disciplinary action or other appropriate sanctions.

Confidentiality

It is recognized that harassment, hazing, intimidation, bullying, and cyber bullying is often very distressing for the victim and those who suffer as a result of such actions may be reluctant to make their concerns known. All reasonable steps will be taken to ensure that all inquiries and complaints are dealt with allowing for as much confidentiality as can be provided while at the same time allowing for a thorough and appropriate investigation and reporting, where appropriate.

Policy Distribution

Information about this policy must be distributed to the school community annually, including parents, students, and all school personnel. Information about the District's policies and procedures will be included in student orientation material and in the student handbook. All new faculty and staff members will be given a copy of the policy a part of their orientation program.

Complaint Procedures

Building principals and the Superintendent have responsibility for investigations concerning hazing, harassment, intimidation, bullying, or cyber-bullying. The investigator(s) shall be a neutral party having had no involvement in the complaint presented.

Any student, employee, or third party who has knowledge of conduct in violation of this policy or feels he or she has been a victim of hazing, harassment, intimidation, or cyber-bullying, in violation of this policy shall immediately report his or her concerns.

All complaints will be promptly investigated in accordance with the following procedures:

- Step I: Any hazing, harassment, intimidation, bullying, or cyber-bullying, information (complaints, rumors, etc.) shall be presented to the building principal or Superintendent. Complaints against the building principal shall be filed with the Superintendent. Complaints against the Superintendent shall be filed with the Board Chair. All such information will be reduced to writing and will include the specific nature of the offense and corresponding dates.
- Step II: The District official receiving the complaint shall promptly investigate or refer the complaint to an appropriate colleague or outside party for investigation. Parents will be notified of the nature of any complaint involving their student. The District official will arrange such meetings as may be necessary with all concerned parties within five working days after receipt of the information or complaint. The parties will have an opportunity to submit evidence and a list of witnesses. All findings related to the complaint will be reduced to writing. The District official(s) conducting the investigation shall notify the complainant and parents as appropriate, in writing, when the investigation is concluded and a decision regarding disciplinary action, as warranted, is determined. Due to the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, it will often not be possible to provide complainants and parents with detailed information on disciplinary actions taken against another student.

A copy of the notification letter or the date and details of notification to the complainant, together with any other documentation related to the incident, including disciplinary action taken or recommended, shall be forwarded to the Superintendent or their designee.

- Step III: If the complainant is not satisfied with the decision at Step II, he or she may submit a written appeal to the Superintendent or designee. Such appeal must be filed within ten working days after receipt of the Step II decision. The Superintendent or designee will arrange such meetings with the complainant and other affected parties as deemed necessary to discuss the appeal. The Superintendent or designee shall provide a written decision to the complainant's appeal within ten working days.
- Step IV: If the complainant is not satisfied with the decision at Step III, a written appeal may be filed with the Board. Such appeal must be filed within ten working days after receipt of the Step III decision. The Board shall, within 20 working days, conduct an informal review at which time the complainant shall be given an opportunity to present the complaint and the District's administration to respond if they so desire. The course and conduct of this proceeding shall be informal and shall be at the sole discretion of the Board. The Board shall provide a written decision to the complainant within ten working days following completion of the informal review.

Direct complaints related to educational programs and services may be made to the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights.

Documentation and Reporting

Documentation related to the incident may be maintained as a part of the student's education records. Additionally, a copy of all hazing, harassment, intimidation, bullying, or cyber-bullying, complaints and documentation will be maintained as a confidential file in the District Office and reported as required by the State Department of Education.

Procedure History:

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3300

Drug Free School Zone

The Board recognizes that the misuse of drugs is a serious problem with legal, physical, and social implications for the entire school community. As the educational institution of this community, the schools should strive to prevent drug abuse and help drug abusers by educational, rather than punitive means.

For purposes of this policy, “Drugs” shall mean:

1. All dangerous controlled substances as so designated and prohibited by Idaho law;
2. All chemicals which release toxic vapors;
3. All alcoholic beverages;
4. Tobacco products;
5. Any prescription or patent drug, except those for which permission to use in school has been granted pursuant to Board policy;
6. “Look-alikes”;
7. Anabolic steroids; and/or
8. Any other illegal substances so designated and prohibited by law.

In accordance with Federal law, the Board hereby establishes a “Drug-Free School Zone” that extends 1000 feet from the boundary of any school property. The Board prohibits the use, possession, concealment, delivery, or distribution of any drug or any drug-related paraphernalia at any time on District property, within the Drug-Free School Zone, or at any District-related event. Furthermore, the Superintendent shall take the necessary steps to ensure that an individual 18 years of age or older who knowingly delivers or distributes controlled substances so designated and prohibited by Idaho law within the Drug-Free School Zone to another person is prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

The Superintendent shall prepare guidelines for the identification and regulation of drug use in the schools. Such guidelines shall emphasize the prevention of drug use and include a statement to students that use of illicit drugs and the unlawful possession of alcohol is harmful. The student handbook shall provide standards of conduct that are applicable to all students which clearly prohibit, at a minimum, the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students on school premises or as a part of any school activity.

Sanctions for violation of this or any other policy which addresses illegal drug and alcohol possession, use, or distribution may include, together with punitive action, voluntary referral to appropriate persons or agencies for screening and assessment.

The Board shall review this policy annually.

Cross Reference: 3330 Student Discipline.

Legal Reference: 20 U.S.C. 3170 et. seq. Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1986,
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Prohibition of Tobacco Possession and Use

The Board recognizes that tobacco use by students presents a health and safety hazard that can have serious consequences for both users and nonusers and the school environment.

The Board prohibits tobacco use and possession by students at any time in a school building or on any school property, buses, vans, or vehicles that are owned, leased, or controlled by the District. Tobacco use and possession by students is also prohibited at school-sponsored activities that are held off school property.

The District may initiate discipline according to the District's Student Discipline policy and/or prosecution of a student who possesses or uses tobacco in violation of this policy.

Definition

For the purposes of this policy, tobacco use shall be defined as the use and/or possession of a lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, smokeless tobacco in any form, and other smoking products specifically including electronic cigarettes, electronic nicotine delivery systems, or vaporizer smoking devices.

Cross Reference: 3300
3330

Drug Free School Zone
Student Discipline

Legal Reference: I.C. § 39-5703 Possession, Distribution, or Use by a Minor
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Gangs and Gang Activity

The Board is committed to ensuring a safe and orderly environment, where learning and teaching may occur without physical or psychological disruptions, unlawful acts, or violations of school regulations. Gang activities create an atmosphere of intimidation in the entire school community. Both the immediate consequences of gang activity and the secondary effects are disruptive and obstructive to the process of education and school activities. Groups of individuals which meet the definition of gangs below shall be restricted from school grounds or school activities.

Definitions

“Gang” shall refer to any group of three or more persons, whether formal or informal, that has a common name or common identifying sign or symbol, and associate together to advocate, conspire, or commit:

1. One or more criminal acts; or
2. Acts which threaten the safety or well-being of property or persons, including, but not limited to, harassment and intimidation.

It also includes gangs as defined in Idaho Code.

Students on school property or at any school-sponsored activity shall not:

1. Wear, possess, use, distribute, or sell any clothing, jewelry, emblem, badge, symbol, sign, or other items which are evidence of membership in or affiliation with any gang and/or representative of any gang;
2. Display tattoos which may be affiliated with any gang and/or representative of any gang;
3. Engage in any act, whether verbal or nonverbal, including gestures or handshakes, showing membership in or affiliation with any gang and/or that is representative of any gang; or
4. Engage in any act furthering the interest of any gang or gang activity, including, but not limited to:
 - A. Soliciting membership in or affiliation with any gang;
 - B. Soliciting any person to pay for protection or threatening another person, explicitly or implicitly, with violence or with any other illegal or prohibited act;
 - C. Painting writing, or otherwise inscribing gang-related graffiti, messages, symbols, or signs on school property; or

D. Engaging in violence, extortion, or any other illegal act or other violation on school property.

Violations of this policy shall result in disciplinary action, up to and including suspension, expulsion, and/or notification of police.

Cross Reference: 3255 Student Dress

Legal Reference: I.C. 33-506 Organization and Government of Board of Trustees
I.C. 33-512 Governance of Schools
I.C. 18-8500 Idaho Criminal Gang Enforcement Act
I.C. 18-8502 Definitions
Stephenson v. Davenport Community Sch. Dist., 110 F.3d 1303 (8th Cir. 1997).
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Substance and Alcohol Abuse

The Board recognizes that use of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem and that the presence of drugs in school is detrimental to the educational environment and harmful to the health, safety, and welfare of students and staff. It is the desire of the District to help those in need of alcohol and drug intervention and at the same time to protect others that are affected by the presence of alcohol and drugs and to enforce the policies of the District relating to use, possession, or being under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances, as that term is defined in statute (I.C. § 37-2732C). It is the philosophy of the District that the District will help those who desire to help themselves.

The District's desire is to create an environment where students feel safe from the many harmful influences that are prevalent in our society. For those students that come forward and voluntarily disclose using and/or being under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs while on school property or at a school function, prior to the District having reasonable suspicion, the District will provide counseling to any such student and make recommendations for referral to appropriate agencies for screening and assessment. The parent, legal guardian, or custodian of the student will be immediately notified and the District will cooperate with and work with the parent in the establishment of plan to assist the student in whatever means are deemed necessary and appropriate. The student's parent, guardian, or custodian will be notified of available opportunities for counseling for the student. Only persons on a "need to know" basis may receive information regarding a voluntary disclosure, except when deemed reasonably necessary to protect the health and safety of others. The incident shall be reported to law enforcement.

The mere fact that a student previously disclosed use of alcohol or controlled substances, in and of itself, shall not establish reasonable suspicion at a later date.

If the District has reasonable suspicion (based upon reliable information received or the personal observations of staff) to believe that a student is using or is under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance and the student has not voluntarily disclosed such use or influence, the District may take whatever action is deemed appropriate, including but not limited to, notifying the parent or legal guardian and notifying local law enforcement, suspension, and/or expulsion. The following shall be used as a guide in determining what procedures may be followed when this occurs, however, the specific procedure may, in large part, depend upon the circumstances in each case:

1. Upon reasonable suspicion, the student will be asked if he or she has used and/or is under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs;
2. If the student admits to the use, the student's parent/legal guardian will be immediately called;

3. The student will be asked to reveal the circumstances involving the use of alcohol and/or drugs and asked if any other students were involved;
4. Law enforcement will be called when deemed appropriate;
5. The student will be immediately suspended from school, and depending upon the circumstances, may be suspended for up to 20 days and/or recommended for expulsion;
6. As a condition of readmission, the student and parent will agree to undergo assessment and counseling for alcohol and/or drug use. The District will provide counseling services and any other services available to the student and/or the student's parents;
7. If the student does not admit to the use of alcohol and/or drugs and the staff member(s) in charge, after talking to the student, still believes that the student used or was/is under the use or influence of alcohol and/or drugs, an investigation will be conducted, which may include a search of the student's locker, car, desk or any other school property used by the student may be subject to search. In addition, law enforcement will be called immediately as will be the parent/guardian. The student will be suspended from school pending an investigation. If the investigation shows that, more likely than not, the student used or was under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol, a recommendation for expulsion will be made to the Board of Trustees. The student will be entitled to full due process prior to being expelled from school. As a condition of readmission, the Board may require that the student undergo assessment and counseling for alcohol and/or drug use.

The District shall provide written annual notification of the voluntary disclosure provisions of this policy as well as counseling availability and any other pertinent information in the student handbook or other reasonable means.

The Board shall review this policy annually.

Cross Reference: 3370 Searches and Seizures
3330 Student Discipline
3340 Corrective Actions and Punishment.
3360 Discipline of Students with Disabilities

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-210 Students using or under the influence of controlled substances
I.C. § 37-2732C Using or Being Under the Influence
Drug Free Schools and Community Act of 1988 – PL 100-690 and all subsequent Amendments
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Student Discipline

Disciplinary action may be taken against any student guilty of disobedience or misconduct, including, but not limited to:

1. Habitual truancy;
2. Incurability;
3. Academic dishonesty;
4. Conduct continuously disruptive of school discipline or of the instructional effectiveness of the District;
5. Conduct or presence of a student when the same is detrimental to the health and safety of other pupils;
6. Using, possessing, distributing, purchasing, or selling tobacco products;
7. Using, possessing, distributing, purchasing, or selling alcoholic beverages. Students who are under the influence are not permitted to attend school functions and are treated as though they had alcohol in their possession;
8. Using, possessing, distributing, purchasing, or selling illegal drugs or controlled substances, look-alike drugs, and drug paraphernalia. Students who are under the influence are not permitted to attend school functions and are treated as though they had drugs in their possession;
9. Assembly or public expression that advocates the use of substances that are illegal to minors or otherwise prohibited within this policy;
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;
12. Disobeying directives from staff members or school officials and/or rules and regulations governing student conduct;

13. Using violence, force, noise, coercion, threats, intimidation, fear, or other comparable conduct toward anyone or urging other students to engage in such conduct;
14. Causing or attempting to cause damage to, or stealing or attempting to steal, school property or another person's property;
15. 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;
16. Unexcused absenteeism; however, the truancy statutes and Board policy will be utilized for chronic and habitual truants;
17. Hazing – For purposes of this policy, the term “hazing” shall have the meaning set forth in Idaho Code;
18. Initiations;
19. 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;
20. Harassment, intimidation, cyber bullying, or bullying as defined in Idaho Code and District policy.

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;
2. Off school grounds at a school-sponsored activity, or event, or any activity or event which bears a reasonable relationship to school
3. Traveling to and from school or a school activity, function, or event; or
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.

Traditional Disciplinary Measures

Traditional disciplinary measures include, but are not limited to:

1. Expulsion;
2. Suspension;
3. Detention, including Saturdays;
4. Clean-up duty;
5. Loss of student privileges;

6. Loss of bus privileges;
7. Notification to juvenile authorities and/or police;
8. Temporary removal from the classroom;
9. Meeting with the student and the student's parents; and
10. Restitution for damages to school property.

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, and District personnel are permitted to use, reasonable force as needed to maintain safety for other students, school personnel, or other persons, or for the purpose of self-defense.

Alternative Disciplinary Measure

Alternative disciplinary action is discipline other than traditional suspension or expulsion from school that is designed to correct and address the root causes of a student's specific misbehavior while retaining the student in class or school, or restorative school practices to repair the harm done to relationships and persons from the student's misbehavior.

Alternative discipline includes, but is not limited to:

1. Reflective activities, such as requiring the student to write an essay about the student's misbehavior;
2. Mediation when there is mutual conflict between peers, rather than one-way negative behavior;
3. Counseling;
4. Anger management;
5. Health counseling or intervention;
6. Mental health counseling;
7. Participation in skills building and resolution activities, such as social-emotional cognitive skills building, resolution, and restorative conferencing;
8. Diversion or use of juvenile specialty courts;
9. Behavioral management plan;
10. Corrective instruction or other relevant learning or service experience;
11. Community service; and
12. In-school detention or suspension which may take place during lunchtime, after school, or on weekends.

Consequences for Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying

Students engaging in harassment, intimidation, or bullying will be subject to graduated consequences appropriate to the severity of the violation as determined by the Board, school administrators, or designated personnel depending upon the level of discipline. Graduated consequences for bullying may include any of the above listed traditional or alternative disciplinary measures or a combination thereof in accordance with the nature of the behavior, the developmental age of the student, and the student's history of problem behaviors and

performance. However, depending upon the nature of the act, the District reserves the right to deviate from the process of graduated consequences to appropriately address the conduct at issue and move directly to suspension or expulsion proceedings. District personnel may also report the student's conduct to the appropriate law enforcement officials.

Disciplining Students on Individual Education or Section 504 Plans

The District shall comply with the procedural safeguards enumerated in State and federal law and rule when disciplining students with individualized education plans or 504 plans.

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, shall be expelled for a definite period of time of at least one calendar year. The Board, however, may modify the expulsion period on a case-by-case basis. 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 hearing before the Board, in accordance with Idaho Code and Board policy.

Possession of a Weapon on School Property – Misdemeanor

No person shall 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; 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 for immediate prosecution, as well as face disciplinary action by the District.

The Board 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 in a regular meeting. It is solely within the Board's discretion whether to allow a person to possess carry or store a weapon in a school building.

This section of this policy does not apply to:

1. Law enforcement personnel;
2. Any adult over 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, nonthreatening manner;
3. A person who lawfully possesses a firearm or other deadly or dangerous weapon in a private vehicle while delivering minor children, students, or school employees to and from school or a school activity; or
4. A person or an employee of the school or District who is authorized to carry a firearm with the permission of the Board of Trustees.

Delegation of Authority

Each teacher, and any other school personnel when students are under his or her charge, is authorized to impose any disciplinary measure (other than suspension, expulsion, corporal punishment, or in-school suspension) which is appropriate and in accordance with the policies and rules on student discipline. Teachers may remove students from a classroom for disruptive behavior.

Nondiscrimination

The District will ensure that student discipline is enforced in a nondiscriminatory manner to avoid subjecting similarly situated students to different treatment without a legitimate reason for doing so, or when such a reason is merely a pretext for discrimination. Such discrimination, which the District will endeavor to avoid, includes the following:

1. Adopting discipline rules which treat students differently based on race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, ethnicity, age, language barrier, religious beliefs, physical or mental handicap or disability, economic or social conditions, or actual or potential marital or parental status, or status as a homeless child;
2. Adopting any rule with the intention of targeting students based on the personal characteristics listed above, rather than for a legitimate purpose, regardless of whether the phrasing of the rule appears neutral with regard to students' personal characteristics;

3. Enforcing an apparently neutral rule more harshly on the basis of a student's personal characteristics; or
4. Discipline of any student when it is motivated by intentional discrimination.

Notification

A summarized version of this policy shall be provided in writing at the beginning of each school year to the school personnel, parents, and students in the District. Information provided to students shall be provided in a manner appropriate to the student's age, grade, and level of academic achievement.

The Board shall review this policy annually.

Cross Reference:	3295	Hazing, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Cyber Bullying
	3340	Corrective Actions and Punishment
	3360	Discipline of Students with Disabilities
	4320	Disruption of School Operations
Legal Reference:	I.C. § 33-205	Denial of school attendance
	I.C. § 18-917	Hazing
	I.C. § 18-917A	Student Harassment – Intimidation- Bullying
	I.C. § 18-3302D	Possessing Weapons or Firearms on School Property
	I.C. § 18-3302I	Threatening Violence on School Grounds
	I.C. § 33-1224	Powers and duties of teachers
	I.C. § 33-1631	Requirements for Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying
		Information and Professional Development
	18 U.S.C. § 930	Possession of Firearms and Dangerous Weapons in Federal Facilities
	18 U.S.C. § 921	Definitions
	20 U.S.C. § 7961	Gun-free requirements
	20 U.S.C. § 8921, et seq.	Gun Free Schools Act
	29 U.S.C. § 701	Rehabilitation Act of 1973
	IDAPA 08.02.03.109.05	Special Education
	IDAPA 08.02.03.160	Safe Environment and Discipline
		Office of Civil Rights Dear Colleague Letter on the Nondiscriminatory Administration of School Discipline

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Academic Honesty

All schoolwork submitted for the purpose of meeting course requirements must represent the efforts of the individual student. Any form of academic dishonesty is prohibited. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to plagiarism, cheating, forgery, copying or stealing another person's work, allowing another person to copy one's own work, doing another person's class work, creating more than one copy of one's work for distribution, intentionally accessing another's material for the purpose of using it as one's own, downloading information from other sources and presenting it as one's own, unauthorized copying of software, unauthorized use of hard copy or software to develop one's own software. Faculty and building administrators will be responsible for monitoring the above actions.

When appropriate, parents shall be contacted as soon as practicable to report any alleged academic dishonesty on the part of students. Teachers are granted authority, with the direction and advice of their principals, to exercise their good judgment in applying a range of academic consequences for violations of this policy. Student and parent appeals of any consequences resulting from violations of this policy should be addressed to building administrator(s). All teachers, beginning especially at the elementary grades, will educate students as to what constitutes academic dishonesty and what is acceptable and unacceptable behavior in our schools. A copy of the Academic Honesty Policy shall be included in student handbooks and shall be distributed to parents via district publications at least annually.

Cheating

Cheating includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Copying or attempting to copy another student's homework, quiz, test, essay, or lab report;
2. Cheating on tests through such means as cheat sheets, use of unauthorized electronic devices, and discussion of test information with other students;
3. Obtaining test questions and/or copies of tests outside the classroom test setting;
4. Lending and/or copying from another student's work (homework, tests, projects, assignments);
5. Altering or interfering with grading (forging signatures, changing or inserting answers on work after grading);
6. Allowing another student to copy answers during a test situation;
7. Collaborating with other students on an assignment in direct violation of a teacher's instructions;
8. Using books and electronic information in generating an assignment in direct violation of teacher's instructions;

9. Accessing, taking, and benefiting from copies of tests and quizzes previously used or to be used by teachers unless provided as study guides by the teacher; and
10. Submitting work previously presented in this course or in another course.

Plagiarism

Plagiarism is defined as and includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Copying material from the source, including internet sources, without citing the source, or citing the source but omitting quotation marks;
2. Paraphrasing the source without proper citation;
3. Copying stories, in whole or part, which appear in books, magazines, television, or film;
4. Copying directly, without making any changes, alterations, or adaptations from a drawing, painting, illustration, photographic image, or graphic symbol without citing the source;
5. Submitting papers written in whole or part by someone else, including internet sources;
6. Submitting papers on which the student has received substantial assistance from peers and/or adults that dramatically changes the character of the work so that it is no longer the student's own; and
7. Submitting a paper purchased from a research or term paper service, including, but not limited to internet sources.

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Corrective Actions and Punishment

All students shall submit to the reasonable rules of the District. Refusal to comply with written rules and regulations established for the governing of the school shall constitute sufficient cause for discipline, suspension, or expulsion.

For the purposes of the District's policies relating to corrective action or punishment:

1. "Temporary Suspension" is the exclusion from school or individual classes for a specific period of up to five school days.

The Superintendent or the Principal of any school may temporarily suspend any pupil for disciplinary reasons, including student harassment, intimidation, or bullying, or for other conduct disruptive of good order or of the instructional effectiveness of the school. Prior to suspending any student, the Superintendent or Principal shall grant an informal hearing on the reasons for the suspension and the opportunity to challenge those reasons. Any pupil who has been suspended may be readmitted to the school by the Superintendent or principal who suspended him or her on reasonable conditions prescribed by the Superintendent or principal. The Board of Trustees shall be notified of any temporary suspensions, the reasons for them, and the response to them.

2. "Extended Temporary Suspension" is the exclusion from school or individual classes for an additional ten school days. Only the Superintendent or the Board can extend an initial temporary suspension.
3. "Prolonged Temporary Suspension" is the exclusion from school or individual classes for an additional five school days. Only the Board can extend a temporary suspension for an additional five days and only upon a finding that immediate return to school attendance by the temporarily suspended student would be detrimental to other pupils' health, welfare, or safety.
4. "Expulsion" is the exclusion from school. Only the Board has the authority to expel or deny enrollment to any pupil who is an habitual truant, who is incorrigible, whose conduct is such as to be continuously disruptive of school discipline or of the instructional effectiveness of the school, or whose presence is detrimental to the health and safety of other pupils or who has been expelled from another school district in the State of Idaho or any other state. The District will provide written notice of any student who is expelled or denied enrollment to the prosecuting attorney within five days of the Board's actions.

No pupil shall be expelled nor denied enrollment without the Board having first given written notice to the parent or guardian of the pupil stating the grounds for the proposed expulsion or denial of enrollment and the time and place where such parent or guardian may appear to contest the action of the Board. The notice shall also state the rights of the pupil to be represented by counsel, to produce witnesses and submit evidence on his own behalf, and to cross-examine any adult witnesses who may appear against him. Within a reasonable period of time following such notification, the Board of Trustees shall grant the pupil and his or her parents or guardian a full and fair hearing on the proposed expulsion or denial of enrollment. However, the Board shall allow a reasonable period of time between notification and the hearing to allow the pupil and his or her parents/guardian to prepare their response to the charge.

5. "Discipline" constitutes all other forms of corrective action or punishment, including brief exclusions from a class for not more than the remainder of the class period and exclusion from any other type of activity conducted by or for the District. Discipline shall not adversely affect specific academic grade, subject, or graduation requirements, as long as all required work is performed.

Except in extreme cases, students will not be expelled unless other forms of corrective action or punishment have failed, or unless there is good reason to believe that other forms of corrective action or punishment would fail if employed. Suspensions or expulsions shall be used only for instances of serious student misconduct.

Students with disabilities may also be suspended under these same rules if the suspension will not constitute a change in placement. If a student with a disabling condition accrues ten or more days' suspension per incident, the Child Study Team who has knowledge of the student's disabling condition will determine if there is causal relationship between the disabling condition and the student's misconduct. If such a relationship exists, the student's educational placement may not be changed without parental approval or a court order, pending a due process hearing under IDEA.

Likewise, before a recommendation on the expulsion of a disabled student is submitted to the Board, the Child Study Team must meet to determine if there is a causal relationship between the disabling condition and the student's misconduct. The Board shall consult legal counsel before expelling any disabled student.

When a disabled student is acting in such a way that he or she poses a danger to himself or herself or to another student or property, or substantially disrupts his or her educational program or that of other students, an emergency suspension may take place. Emergency suspensions may not last longer than ten school days. The principal shall convene the Child Study Team to review the student's record before the student is readmitted to school and no later than the tenth day of the suspension.

Once a student is expelled in compliance with District policy, the expulsion shall be brought to the attention of appropriate local or State authorities, in order that such authorities may address the student's needs.

No student shall be expelled, suspended, or disciplined in any manner for any act not related to the orderly operation of the school or school-sponsored activities or any other aspect of the educational process.

Cross Reference:	3330	Student Discipline
	3360	Discipline of Students with Disabilities

Legal Reference:	20 U.S.C. 1400, et seq.	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
	I.C. § 33-205	Denial of school attendance
	I.C. § 33-512	Governance of schools
	I.C. § 33-1631	Requirements for Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying Information and Professional Development

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Corrective Actions and Punishment

It is the intent of the Board to provide each student with those due process rights that are provided by law.

Suspension

In the event the proposed punishment of a student is to include denial of the right of school attendance from any single class or full schedule of classes for at least one day, the following procedure shall be used:

1. Before suspension, the student shall be provided a conference during which the charges will be explained and the student will be given the opportunity to respond to the charges.
2. A pre-suspension conference is not required and the student can be immediately suspended when the student's presence poses a continuing danger to persons or property or an ongoing threat of disruption to the educational process. In such cases, the notice and conference shall follow as soon as practicable.
3. Any suspension shall be reported immediately to the student's parent/legal guardian. A written notice of suspension shall state the reasons for the suspension, including any school rule which was violated, and a notice to the parent or guardian of the right to a review of the suspension. A copy of the notice shall be sent to the Superintendent.
4. Upon request of the parent or legal guardian, a review of the suspension shall be conducted by the Superintendent. At the review, the student and parent or legal guardian may appear and discuss the suspension with the Superintendent. After the meeting, the Superintendent shall take such action as appropriate. That action is final.
5. Students who are absent as a result of an out-of-school suspension do not have the right to make up the work missed.
6. The suspension of a student may be extended by the Superintendent or the Board in accordance with State law. Written notice of the extension of a suspended student will be provided to the student's parent/legal guardian.

Expulsion

A student may be expelled from school only by the Board, and only after the following due process procedures have been followed:

1. The student and parent or legal guardian shall be provided written notice of the Board hearing to consider the recommendation for expulsion, by registered or certified mail at least five school days before the date scheduled for the hearing. The notice shall include the grounds for the proposed expulsion, the time and place of the hearing, information describing the process to be used to conduct the hearing, including the rights of the student to be represented by counsel, to produce witnesses and submit documentary evidence and the right to cross-examine adult witnesses who testify against the student.
2. Within the limitation that the hearing must be conducted during the period of suspension, an expulsion hearing may be rescheduled by the parent or legal guardian by submitting a request showing good cause to the Superintendent at least two school days prior to the date of the hearing as originally scheduled. The Superintendent shall determine if the request shows good cause.
3. At the hearing, the student may be represented by counsel, present witnesses and other evidence, and cross-examine adult witnesses. Formal rules of evidence are not binding on the Board.

Procedures for Suspension and Expulsion of Students with Disabilities

The District shall comply with the provisions of the IDEA when disciplining students. No special education student shall be expelled if the student's particular act of gross disobedience or misconduct is a manifestation of the student's disability. Any special education student whose gross disobedience or misconduct is not a manifestation of the student's disability may be expelled pursuant to expulsion procedures, except that the disabled student shall continue to receive education services as provided in the IDEA during such period of expulsion.

A special education student may be suspended for ten days of school per incident, regardless of whether the student's gross disobedience or misconduct is a manifestation of the student's disabling condition. Any special education student who has or will exceed ten days of suspension may be temporarily excluded from school by court order or by order of a hearing officer if the District demonstrates that maintaining the student in the student's current placement is substantially likely to result in injury to the student or others. The student shall continue to receive educational services in accordance with the IDEA during such period of suspension.

A special education student who has carried a weapon to school or to a school function, or who knowingly possesses or uses illegal drugs, or sells or solicits the sale of a controlled substance while at school or a school function may be removed from the student's current placement. Such a student shall be placed in an appropriate interim alternative educational setting for no more than 45 days in accordance with the IDEA.

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Use of Restraint, Seclusion, and Aversive Techniques for Students

Conduct of Employees Directed Toward Students

The use by appropriately trained District personnel towards or directed at any student of any form of restraint or seclusion as defined in this policy, is prohibited except in circumstances where proportional restraint or seclusion of a student is necessary when a student's conduct creates a reasonable belief in the perspective of a District employee, that the conduct of the student has placed the student, the employee, or any other individual in imminent danger of serious bodily harm.

The employee or any employee who is a witness to this event shall immediately seek out the assistance of the school's administration or, if such administrator is not available, a certificated or classified employee with special training in seclusion and restraint, if available. Upon the arrival of such individual, the administrator or if no administrator is available, the most senior trained individual on seclusion or restraint shall take control over the situation.

Seclusion or restraint of a student shall immediately be terminated when it is decided that the student is no longer an immediate danger to him or herself or to any other third person or if it is determined that the student is exhibiting extreme distress or at such time that appropriate administrative personnel have taken custody of the child or upon such time that the parent/legal guardian of the child has retaken custody of the child.

Regardless of employee training status, no District personnel shall use any form of aversive technique against any school student.

If a situation occurs where a properly trained District employee must use acts of restraint or seclusion against a school student, the following shall occur:

1. The employee shall immediately report to their building principal, in writing, the following information:
 - A. The date the event occurred;
 - B. The circumstances leading to the event;
 - C. The student involved; and
 - D. Other witnesses or participants to the event.
2. The building principal shall notify the Superintendent's office of the event, providing the Superintendent's office with a copy of the report of events.

3. The building principal shall ascertain if any of the school's video equipment captured the event on a recording. If such event was captured on recording, the principal shall take all best efforts to maintain a copy of the recording and provide such to the Superintendent's Office for the Superintendent's official records of the event.
4. The Superintendent or designee shall ascertain the special needs status of the student involved in the seclusion or restraint and shall ascertain and maintain documentation as to whether or not such events were consistent with or contraindicated due to the student's psychiatric, medical, or physical condition(s).
5. The Superintendent or designee of the Superintendent shall notify the parent or legal guardian of the subject student of the situation and the event of restraint or seclusion via telephone and provide the parent/legal guardian with the name and telephone contact information of the building principal where the parent may obtain additional information regarding the event.
6. The Superintendent or designee of the Superintendent shall provide the parent/legal guardian of the student with written notice of the event of restraint or seclusion of their student.
7. The Superintendent's office shall maintain documentation as to events of restraint and seclusion and shall prepare any and all necessary reports to legal entities upon whom such reports are or may become due pursuant to State and federal regulations.

Training of School Personnel

The building principal, special education teachers, and classified employees who work with special education students shall receive training as described below:

1. Training of personnel as to proper situations and events leading to student seclusion and intervention, including possible preventative alternatives to seclusion and restraint, safe physical escort, de-escalation of student crisis situations, and positive behavioral intervention techniques and supports;
2. Training of personnel in crisis/conflict management and emergency situations which may occur in the school setting, including examples and demonstrations of proper activities and techniques and trainers observing employee use of proper activities and techniques in the training setting;
3. Techniques to utilize to limit the possibility of injury to the student, the employee, and any other third party in the area;
4. Information as to the school's student seclusion areas in each respective school building to which the employee is assigned;

5. Training in CPR and basic first aid; and
6. Provision of the employee with a copy of this policy.

It is a goal that all new employees for whom this training is required are trained in the area of student restraint and seclusion during their first week of employment. However, this may not be possible due to realities of the operation of a school district. If an employee has not yet undergone training and a situation necessitating student restraint or seclusion occurs, and another properly trained employee of the District is present at the event, the properly trained employee shall take the lead in addressing the student crisis.

Designated Locations

Each school building for which students are present must have a building designated location for student seclusion.

It is the responsibility of the building's principal, or designee of the principal, to assure that the building's designated seclusion location is a safe and clean location and that such location has appropriate supervision when any student has been placed into seclusion pursuant to this policy.

Appropriate supervision shall include an adult in the seclusion location which has continuous visual observation of the secluded student.

Definitions

For the purposes of this policy, the following definitions shall apply:

Restraint: The immobilization or reduction of a student's freedom of movement for the purpose of preventing harm to students or others through chemical, manual method, physical, or mechanical device, material, or equipment.

Seclusion: Involuntary confinement in a room or other space during which a student is prevented from leaving or reasonably believes that he or she can leave or be prevented from leaving through manually, mechanically, or electronically locked doors that, when closed, cannot be opened from the inside; blocking or other physical interference by staff; or coercive measures, such as the threat of restraint, sanctions, or the loss of privileges that the student would otherwise have, used for the purpose of keeping the student from leaving the area of seclusion.

Aversive Technique: Physical, emotional, or mental distress as a method of redirecting or controlling behavior.

Annual Review

On an annual basis, the Superintendent or designee shall review this policy and make a determination as to whether or not any modifications or amendments to this policy are necessary and should be proposed to the District's Board.

In conducting this annual review, such individual shall also review the reports of all events of seclusion or restraint that occurred with the District's students in the past school year. This review will include an analysis as to whether or not the District's personnel are following the terms of this policy, whether additional training activities are necessary, or if there is any weakness in the implementation of this policy that can be strengthened.

Cross Reference: 3360

Discipline of Students with Disabilities

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Detention

For minor infractions of school rules or regulations, or for minor misconduct, staff may detain students. Students may be required to attend Saturday detention for up to four hours.

Preceding the assessment of such punishment, the staff member shall inform the student of the nature of the offense charged, and/or the specific conduct that allegedly constitutes the violation. The student shall be afforded an opportunity to explain or justify his or her actions to the staff member. Parents must be notified prior to a student serving after-school detention.

Students detained for corrective action or punishment shall be under the supervision of the staff member or designee.

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Discipline of Students with Disabilities

**Code of Conduct Violations by Students with Disabilities, Resulting
In Disciplinary Consequences of Ten School Days or Less**

ISBA recommends use of the guidelines developed by the Idaho Department of Education in its *Idaho Special Education Manual*. As of the development of this amended policy, the most recent version of this manual is 2016. Please refer to Chapter 12, Discipline, of the manual. The manual can be found on the internet by going to the Special Education section of the State Department website or by accessing the following link:

http://www.sde.idaho.gov/site/special_edu/manual_page.htm.

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Student Sex Offenders

Definition

“Student sex offender” shall mean a student who has been adjudicated delinquent or convicted of and placed on probation for a dangerous offense such as sexual conduct with a minor, sexual assault, molestation of a child, or continual sexual abuse of a child.

Notification to School District

The Superintendent of Public Instruction is required by State law to notify a school district or private school regarding the enrollment of a registered juvenile sex offender. The Superintendent of Public Instruction is also required to notify the District or school of the offender's probationary status or treatment status, if known. The Superintendent of the District or his or her designee shall make contact with the State Department of Education in order to receive regular updates of this information.

Educational Placement

The Superintendent of the District or his or her designee shall determine the appropriate educational placement for student sex offenders except those identified as having a disability. When determining educational placement, the Superintendent or his or her designee shall consider such factors as the safety and health of the student population. The Superintendent or designee shall develop guidelines for managing each student sexual offender in District schools. If the Superintendent or designee determines that, in the best interest of District schools, the student sexual offender should be placed in an alternative educational setting, the District shall pay for the costs associated with this placement.

Convicted juvenile sex offenders shall not attend a school attended by their victims or a victim's sibling. The offender and his or her parent or guardian shall be responsible for providing transportation or covering other costs related to the offender's attendance at another school.

An IEP team shall determine the educational placement of a student sexual offender with a disability. The student with a disability is entitled to all the due process procedures available to a student with a disability under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. The IEP team shall develop procedures for managing each student sexual offender with a disability that attends a District school. If the IEP team determines that the student sexual offender should be placed in an alternative educational setting, the District shall pay for the costs associated with this placement.

Staff

Staff members are to be alert to and inform school officials of any behavior by a juvenile offender that creates an abnormal risk to members of the school community. However, each circumstance involving a student probationary juvenile offender attending a District school shall be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Whenever possible without placing other students or adult members of the school community at risk, reasonable efforts should be made to continue the student's education, to provide supportive services, and to avoid any acts of harassment or vigilantism against the student. Although federal and State laws and rules permit the release of information concerning a student registered sex offender, discretion should be exercised when discussing or disseminating information about the student. Whenever possible, the school community should encourage and support timely and appropriate intervention toward the expected outcome that a juvenile offender's conduct will be rectified so the student will commit no further offense and will develop into a responsible, self-controlled adult.

Legal Reference:	I.C. §18-8301 et seq.	Sexual Offender Registration Notification and Community Right-to-Know Act
	I.C. §18-8402	Findings
	I.C. §18-8403	Definitions
	I.C. §18-8408	Providing List To Superintendent Of Public Instruction
	I.C. §18-8412	Exemption from Civil Liability
	I.C. §18-8413	Penalties for Vigilantism or Other Misuse of Information
	I.C. §33-205	Denial of School Attendance

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3370

Searches and Seizure

To maintain order and security in the schools, school authorities are authorized to conduct reasonable searches of school property and equipment, as well as of students and their personal effects.

School Property and Equipment as Well as Personal Effects Left There by Students

School authorities may inspect and search school property and equipment owned or controlled by the school (such as lockers, desks, and parking lots), as well as personal effects left there by students, without notice or consent of the student. This applies to student vehicles parked on school property. Building principals may require each high school student, in return for the privilege of parking on school property, to consent in writing to school searches of his or her vehicle and personal effects therein, when reasonable suspicion of wrongdoing exists.

The Superintendent may request the assistance of law enforcement officials to conduct inspections and searches of lockers, desks, parking lots, and other school property and equipment for illegal drugs, weapons, and other illegal or dangerous substances or material, including searches conducted through the use of specially trained dogs.

Students

School authorities may search the student and/or the student's personal effects in the student's possession when there is reasonable ground for suspecting that the search will produce evidence the particular student has violated or is violating the law or the District's student conduct rules. The search itself must be conducted in a manner that is reasonably related to its objectives and not excessively intrusive in light of the age and sex of the student and the nature of the infraction.

Seizure of Property

If a search produces evidence that the student has violated or is violating the law or the District's policies or rules, such evidence may be seized and impounded by school authorities, and disciplinary action may be taken. When appropriate, such evidence may be transferred to law enforcement authorities.

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Searches and Seizure

The following rules shall apply to any searches and the seizure of any property by school personnel:

1. The Superintendent, principal, and the authorized assistants of either shall be authorized to conduct any searches or to seize property on or near school premises, as further provided in this procedure.
2. If the authorized administrator has reasonable suspicion to believe that any locker, car, or other container of any kind on school premises contains any item or substance which constitutes an imminent danger to the health and safety of any person or to the property of any person or the District, the administrator is authorized to conduct a search of any car or container and to seize any such item or substance.
3. The authorized administrator may perform random searches of any locker, car, or container of any kind on school premises without notice or consent.
4. If the authorized administrator has any reasonable suspicion to believe that any student has any item or substance in his or her possession, which constitutes an imminent danger to the property of any person or the District, the administrator is authorized to conduct a search of any car or container and to seize any such item or substance.
5. No student shall hinder, obstruct, or prevent any search authorized by this procedure.
6. Whenever circumstances allow, any search or seizure authorized in this procedure shall be conducted in the presence of at least one adult witness, and a written record of the time, date, and results shall be made by the administrator. A copy shall be forwarded to the Superintendent as soon as possible.
7. In any instance where an item or substance is found which would appear to be in violation of the law, the circumstance shall be reported promptly to the appropriate law enforcement agency.
8. In any situation where the administrator is in doubt as to the propriety of proceeding with any search or seizure, the administrator is authorized to report to and comply with the directions of any public law enforcement agency.

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Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Participation Policy

Extracurricular or co-curricular activities are supplements to the regular instructional programs and afford students opportunities for enrichment. However, participation in extracurricular and co-curricular activities is a privilege, not a right, as pursuant to Idaho Code. As representatives of their school and District, students participating in such activities are expected to meet high standards of behavior.

General Definitions for Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Participation Policy

Unless the context otherwise requires, in this policy:

“Extracurricular Activities” means District and/or school authorized activities which take place outside of the regular school day and do not involve class credit, including (but not limited to) athletics, student groups or organizations, and community activities for which high school letters are awarded.

“Co-Curricular Activities” are District and/or school authorized activities held in conjunction with a for-credit class, but taking place outside of the regular school day including, but not limited to, debate, drama, band, choir, school paper, Pride, Youth Legislature, Student Council, Industrial Arts Club, and Math Counts.

“Activity Suspension or Suspension from Extracurricular or Co-Curricular Activities” means that suspended students shall not travel, dress in uniform, or associate or participate with the team or group at its scheduled event(s). Suspended students may be allowed to participate in practices and meetings; however, the principal or designee may deem it necessary for students to be withheld from practices or meetings for the duration of the suspension.

“Controlled Substances” include (but are not limited to) opiates; opium derivatives; hallucinogenic substances, including cocaine; and cannabis and synthetic equivalents or the substances contained in the plant; any material, compound mixture, or preparation with substances having a depressant effect on the central nervous system; stimulants; any medication not specifically prescribed for the student’s use by his or her doctor; and drug paraphernalia.

“Drugs” include any alcohol or malt beverage, any inhalant, any tobacco product, any controlled substances, any illegal substance, any abused substance, any look-alike or counterfeit drug, any medication not approved and registered by the school authorities and/or any substance which is intended to alter mood, and/or any substance which is misrepresented and sold or distributed as a restricted or illegal drug.

“Drug Paraphernalia” is defined as any or all equipment, products, and materials of any kind which are used, intended for use, or designed for use in planting, propagating, cultivation, growing, harvesting, manufacturing, compounding, converting, producing, processing, preparing, testing, analyzing, packaging, repackaging, storing, containing, concealing, injecting, ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise introducing into the human body a controlled substance as defined in this policy.

“Emergency Activity Suspension” is defined as imposition of an activity suspension by a principal or his or her designee prior to an informal hearing when it is necessary to protect the health and safety of the individual(s) involved and immediate action is appropriate.

“Event” is defined as a match, game, meet, or other competitive event, including regional and/or state tournaments, and competitions. “Event” is also defined as any band or choir performance(s).

“Knowingly Present” shall mean that a student attended a gathering of two or more individuals at which one or more of the attendees other than the student at issue were using or in possession of drug paraphernalia, controlled substances, drugs, pornography, alcohol, or tobacco and the student knew or reasonably should have known that such use or possession was occurring.

“Minor Infraction” shall mean a minor deviation from acceptable behavior or stated student expectations which occurs while the student is engaged in the extracurricular or co-curricular activity and which is not material or substantial. Students will be given notification of the first minor infraction. Students and parents will be given notification of the second minor infraction through a conference and will be informed that a third minor infraction may result in activity suspension.

“Major Infraction” shall mean a material or substantial deviation from acceptable behavior or stated student expectations which occurs while the student is engaged in the extracurricular or co-curricular activity, including but not limited to insubordination toward or non-compliance with the person in charge of the activity, verbal or physical abuse, hazing, fighting, and refusal of a student to identify him or herself to school personnel upon request.

“On any school premises or at any school sponsored activity, regardless of location” includes, but not is limited to buildings, facilities, and grounds on the school campus, school buses, school parking areas; and the location of any school sponsored activity. “On any school premises or at any school sponsored activity, regardless of location” also includes instances in which the conduct occurs off the school premises but impacts a school related activity.

“Scholastic Year” is defined as the period of time beginning with the first day of the fall extracurricular and co-curricular activities season and ending with the last day of school.

“School Days” include only those days when school is in session.

Eligibility Requirements for Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Participation

Students in grades 9-12 must pass six classes in a seven period class schedule. Students will be placed on probation after each assessment period if they fall below the above requirement. Probation will mean that the student can practice but may not play until the next assessment period. The first assessment in the first nine weeks will be the first assessment period. The assessment period will be determined by the school calendar. If after the assessment period, the student is passing the failing class, the student will be eligible to participate.

Junior high students must pass all classes to be eligible to participate in activities. If a student fails a class after the first assessment period, the student will be placed on probation. Probation will mean that the student can practice but may not play until the failing grade is brought up to a passing grade. The assessment period will be weekly and the determination will be made on Monday of each week. Student grades will be evaluated each assessment period. The junior high student is responsible for going to each teacher on a weekly basis with a form to ascertain his or her eligibility. The form must be turned into the school office by the student.

Students shall also meet any applicable IHSA requirements for eligibility.

Insurance

The District does not furnish health or accident insurance for any student but does provide parents with information for enrolling their child in an insurance program. Students participating in athletics are required to either purchase school-time insurance or have a letter on file from parents stating that the student has medical insurance coverage and will release the school from any responsibility.

Attendance and Participation in Activities

Students who do not come to school the day before and/or the day of an activity and do not have a legitimate excuse will not be allowed to participate in that activity. Students who do not come to school at the regular time on the day following participation in an activity and do not have a legitimate excuse will not be allowed to participate in their next scheduled activity.

Extracurricular or Co-curricular activity Suspension

The Board believes that the safety and welfare of other students may be adversely affected when students who are involved in extracurricular or co-curricular activities commit major infractions or repeated minor infractions at school or during school activities, and/or are involved in criminal conduct or drug use in any location.

At the beginning of each semester, teachers or coaches of co-curricular courses will identify for students how participation in the co-curricular activity impacts their course grade. Co-curricular students who are suspended as a result of this policy will have their co-curricular course grade affected only if the reason for the suspension was related to course work or course expectations.

Students who miss a co-curricular activity because of a suspension may ask to do, or be required to do, alternative assignments or special projects to make up the missed activity.

1. **Activity Suspension as a Result of a School Suspension:** A student will be immediately suspended from all extracurricular and co-curricular activities when he or she receives a suspension from school, not including an in-school detention, for any reason.

Consequences:

- A. The activity suspension is automatic, is for the duration of the school suspension, and runs concurrent with the school suspension; and
 - B. This type of activity suspension cannot be appealed.
2. **Activity Suspension for Repeated Minor Infractions or a Major Infraction During an Activity:** A student may be suspended from an extracurricular or co-curricular activity when he or she commits a third minor infraction, or a major infraction, while engaged in an extracurricular or co-curricular activity on any school premises or at any school-sponsored activity, regardless of location. The coach or advisor will recommend suspension to the Principal.

Consequences:

- A. The incident will be reviewed pursuant to the Informal Hearing Process at Section 5 of this policy;
 - B. If the evidence supports the recommendation, the student may be given an activity suspension for a period of time up to and including the remainder of the season or duration of the activity in that scholastic year for that activity only; and
 - C. If the activity suspension exceeds nine school days, the parent/guardian may request an appeal as outlined in the Appeal Process at Section 4 of this policy.
3. **Activity Suspension for Criminal Conduct or Drug Use in Any Location During the Activity Season:** The extracurricular season extends from the first day of tryouts to the last day of competition for that sport. All co-curricular activities begin with the first day of the semester and extend until the end of the semester.

A student may be suspended from extracurricular and co-curricular activities when he or she has been arrested or it reasonably appears to the District that he or she has violated criminal law, other than infractions or minor traffic violations; or has been involved with drug paraphernalia, controlled substances, or drugs, including alcohol or tobacco, in any location, either on or off campus, during the scholastic year, in any of the following ways: attempting to secure or purchase; using, or having reasonable suspicion of having used; possession; intending or attempting to sell or distribute; selling or transmitting; knowingly being present when any of the above are used, possessed, or consumed; or

knowingly driving or remaining in a vehicle where controlled substances are possessed or being used by one or more people under the age of 21.

Consequences:

A. First Violation

- I. The participant shall be suspended from participating in any game, contest, competition, travel, or event for 50 percent of the sport season. The number of contests per season, rather than number of days, shall be used to determine the length of the suspension.
- II. In the event that a student self-reports the violation, either voluntarily or upon being questioned by a coach, activities director, or administrator, the suspension will be reduced to 25 percent of the season.
- III. If a police citation is given related to the use of controlled substances, the student must self-report within 72 hours of the citation, or when questioned by a school official if less than 72 hours have elapsed, for the reduction in suspension to be granted.
- IV. The student must also attend a controlled substance education program approved by the District before he or she is eligible for reinstatement after the suspension has expired. The cost of the program will be borne by the participant or his or her parents. Failure to complete the program will result in continued suspension from activities.
- V. For activities with performances or contests, students must attend all practices while suspended. Failure to do so will result in continued suspension from activities.
- VI. When the full penalty cannot be imposed, the remaining portion of the suspension will be carried over and served during the next activity in which the student participates.
- VII. A participant must complete the season with any activity that is used to finish a penalty from a previous season. Failure to complete the activity will result in the penalty being carried over to the next activity in which the student participates.

B. Second Violation After More than 12 Months

- I. The participant shall be suspended from participating in any game, contest, competition, travel or event for 75 percent of the sport season. The number of

contests per season, rather than the number of days, shall be used to determine the length of the suspension.

- II. The participant must undergo a controlled substance assessment program approved by the District, comply with the recommendations of the professional conducting the test assessment, and provide documentation of the assessment and compliance with the recommendations. Such measures shall be at the expense of the student or parent/guardian.

C. Third Violation or Second Violation Within 12 Months

- I. The participant shall be suspended from all participation in extracurricular activities for one calendar year from the date it is determined that the violation occurred.
- II. The participant must undergo a controlled substance assessment program approved by the District, comply with the recommendations of the professional conducting the test assessment, and provide documentation of the assessment and compliance with the recommendations in order to be eligible for reinstatement at the end of the calendar year. Such measures shall be at the expense of the student or parent/guardian.

D. Fourth Violation or Subsequent Violation

- I. A participant in grades 9-12 who commits a fourth violation shall be suspended from participation in activities for the remainder of his or her high school career.
- II. A student who has completed an approved treatment program and provides a recommendation from that treatment program that the student has successfully completed the program and is unlikely to use controlled substances in the future may apply for reinstatement of eligibility following a fourth violation. This application for reinstatement must be submitted in writing to the principal no less than one calendar year from the date of the suspension. The Board of Trustees shall make the final determination of reinstatement.

- 4. **Infractions Which Occur in Out-of-School Trips:** During an out-of-school trip, if the authorized person in charge of the activity determines that a student should be sent home early because of criminal conduct, drug use, or a major infraction, the authorized person will notify the parent/guardian, and ask him or her to take charge of the return of the student. The parent/guardian will assume any expenses incurred for the return of the student.
- 5. **Informal Hearing Process:** Prior to giving an activity suspension to a student, the principal or athletic director shall grant the student an informal hearing on the reasons for

the activity suspension and the opportunity to challenge those reasons unless an emergency activity suspension is necessary. If an emergency activity suspension is necessary, an informal hearing will be held as soon as possible after the emergency ceases to exist.

6. **Student travel to or from an extracurricular or co-curricular activity:** Unless other travel arrangements are authorized by the principal or designee, students will board the bus at the school designated as point of origin for the trip and will return to the point of origin in the bus. There will be no stops along the designated route to pick up or discharge students.

The only variation allowed in this regulation is the release of students to parents in a face-to-face situation at the close of the activity before buses begin the return trip. Such release will require a signed, dated note from the parent.

The activity must provide at least one instructor, coach, or adult sponsor for each bus on a special trip. The bus driver will be responsible for the safe operation of the bus. The sponsor will be responsible for supervision of students and enforcement of bus rules. Any adult designated by the principal as a sponsor will have such authority.

Students must follow all school bus rules with this exception: Food and drink not in glass containers will be allowed on the bus with permission of the principal. However, any debris must be cleaned up at the end of the trip and before students leave the bus.

If a student causes a disruption or hazard on the bus, a hearing will be held with the principal, driver, instructor, coach, adult sponsor, parent/guardian, and student. The driver, instructor/coach/adult sponsor, parent/guardian, and the student will have the opportunity to share with the principal their perceptions of the problem. If the principal finds that there has been an infraction of bus rules, he will take the following action:

- A. On the first infraction, the student will be warned that following any further infraction he or she will be declared ineligible for transportation to the extracurricular or co-curricular activities for one event;
- B. On the second infraction during a semester, the student will be declared ineligible for transportation to the extracurricular or co-curricular activity for two events; and
- C. On the third infraction during a semester, the student will be declared ineligible for transportation to the extracurricular or co-curricular activities for the remainder of the semester.

Based on the severity of the problem as it relates to respect and safety for others, the principal may bypass step #1 and/or step #2 above and immediately declare the student ineligible for transportation for two weeks or for the remainder of the semester.

7. Appeal Process:

- A. This appeal process may be used by students and their parent/guardian only in those instances where an activity suspension or transportation to extracurricular or co-curricular activities exceeds nine school days.
 - B. The parent/guardian must request an appeal in writing within two school days from the notification of the activity suspension decision.
 - C. The Superintendent will appoint a three member panel composed of certificated staff members who have not been involved in the disciplinary action in question. The hearing panel will notify the student and the parent/guardian of the date, location, and time of the hearing; the student will have an opportunity to present additional evidence regarding the circumstances of the suspension or reasons to reduce the length thereof. The appeal must be scheduled within five school days of the request.
 - D. If the panel determines that the evidence reviewed at the appeal supports the suspension, the suspension of the student from extracurricular and/or co-curricular activities shall be continued.
 - E. The student and the parent/guardian will be notified in writing of the panel's findings and determination with respect to the student suspension from extracurricular and/or co-curricular activities within two school days of the panel's decision.
 - F. The panel's determination is final, and is not appealable to the Superintendent or Board of Trustees.
8. Elementary Students: Students in kindergarten through sixth grade who are in violation of this policy may have the length of the activity suspension reduced by the principal or other authorized administrator.

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Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Participation Form

This form must be signed by the student and at least one parent/guardian before a student may participate in co-curricular activities. The signed form must be returned to the appropriate coach or advisor.

I have read the Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Participation Policy and understand that violation of its provisions will result in the penalties described therein.

Student's Name: _____

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian 1's Name: _____

Parent/Guardian 1's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian 2's Name: _____

Parent/Guardian 2's Signature: _____ Date: _____

If only one parent/guardian signs this form, please certify the following:

I, _____ (parent/guardian), have full authority to sign and consent to this Permission Form and Release as an agent of any and all other parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s).

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Extra- and Co-Curricular Chemical Use Policy

Extracurricular and Co-curricular activities are subject to the supervision and regulation of the District. Participation in extracurricular or co-curricular activities is considered a privilege; not a right.

Students participating in extra- and co-curricular activities, whether sponsored by the Idaho High School Activities Association or not, shall not use, have in possession, sell, or distribute alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs, or abuse prescription or non-prescription drugs during their extracurricular seasons. These rules are in effect 24 hours a day. If a student is charged with possession, or is seen using tobacco, alcohol, or illicit drugs, the student will forfeit the privilege of participating in accordance with Policy 3380 and with activities and student handbooks.

Policy Coverage

This policy applies to middle and high school students who are involved in the extracurricular and co-curricular activities program.

Policy Duration

This policy is in effect each school year from the date of the first practice for fall activities until the last day of the activity season. Violations are cumulative, through the student's period of attendance in grades 7-8 and in grades 9-12. The principal shall publish the participation rules annually in the activities and student handbooks.

Student and Parent/Legal Guardian Due Process

Notification of determinations regarding student chemical use violations will be provided to the student and parent or guardian by telephone where possible, and also by mail. At this time, the student and parent/guardian shall be notified of the type of discipline that will be administered.

Appeal Process

Any parent/guardian and student who is aggrieved by the imposition of discipline shall have the right to an informal conference with the principal for the purpose of resolving the grievance. At such a conference, the student and the parent shall be subject to questioning by the principal, and shall be entitled to question staff involved in the matter being grieved.

Cross Reference: 3380 Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Participation Policy

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-512 Governance of Schools

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Extracurricular Activities Drug-Testing Program

The District has a strong commitment to the health, safety, and welfare of its students. Results of studies throughout the United States indicate that education alone, as a preventive measure, is not effective in combating substance abuse. Our commitment to maintaining the extracurricular activities in the District as a safe and secure educational environment requires a clear policy and supportive programs relating to detection, treatment, and prevention of substance abuse by students involved in extracurricular activities.

Purpose

The drug-testing program is not intended to be disciplinary or punitive in nature. Students involved in extracurricular activities need to be exemplary in the eyes of the community and other students. It is the purpose of this program to prevent students from participating in extracurricular activities while they have drug residues in their bodies, and it is the purpose of this program to educate, help, and direct students away from drug and alcohol abuse and toward a healthy and drug-free participation. No student shall be expelled or suspended from school as a result of any verified positive test conducted by his or her school under this program, other than as stated herein.

Scope

Participation in extracurricular activities is a privilege. This policy applies to all District students in grades 9-12 who wish to participate in extracurricular activities that are listed in the current student handbook and any other school-sponsored extracurricular activities not listed.

Consent Form

It is mandatory that each student who participates in extracurricular activities sign and return the Consent Form prior to participation in any extracurricular activity. Failure to comply will result in non-participation.

Each extracurricular participant shall be provided with the Consent Form (3350F), which shall be dated and signed by the participant and by the parent/guardian. In so doing, the student is agreeing to participate in the random drug-testing program at the District high school he or she attends.

Testing Procedures

1. The selection of participants to be tested will be done randomly by the principal or administrative designee, and selections will be made from time to time throughout the school

year. Names will be drawn from one large pool of those agreeing to be tested. The number of students to be tested each week shall be determined by the Superintendent or his or her designee. Testing may occur on a different day, Monday through Saturday. This variable schedule will keep students conscious of the possibility of being tested at any time during the year. Each student will be assigned a number that will be placed in the drawing.

2. If the student shows signs of reasonable suspicion, the principal or administrative designee may select the student to be tested. Factors will include, but are not limited to, excessive discipline problems and/or excessive absences from school. Also, a parent/guardian may request testing of his or her student.
3. No student will be given advance notice or early warning of the testing. In addition, a strict chain of custody will be enforced to eliminate invalid tests or outside influences.
4. Upon being selected for a urinalysis test under this policy, either by random draw, reasonable suspicion, request of a parent/guardian, or a follow-up test, a student will be required to provide a sample of fresh urine, according to the quality control standards and policy of the laboratory conducting the urinalysis.
5. All students will remain under school supervision until they have produced an adequate urine specimen. If unable to produce a specimen, the student will be given up to 24 ounces of fluid. If still unable to produce a specimen within two hours, the student will be taken to the principal's office and told he or she is no longer eligible for any of the extracurricular activities. In addition, the parents/guardian will be telephoned and informed the student is unable to produce a sample for the testing procedure and that he or she may be tested at a later date to be reinstated for eligibility.
6. There is a head strip on each of the specimen bottles indicating the validity of the urine specimen by temperature. All specimens registering below 90.5 degrees Fahrenheit will be invalid. If this occurs, another specimen must be given by the student.
7. Tampering or cheating during the collection is a violation of this policy. The student will become ineligible for all the extracurricular activities for the remainder of the school year. This will be reported to the parent/guardian.
8. Immediately after the specimen is taken and the dip test has been completed, if applicable, the student may return to class with an admit slip or pass with the time he or she left the collection site. The principal or administrative designee must note the time and sign the pass.
9. The specimens will then be turned over to the testing laboratory, and each specimen will be tested for alcohol, nicotine, and street drugs (which may include all drugs listed as controlled substances under the laws of the State of Idaho). Also, performance enhancing drugs such as steroids may be tested.

10. The laboratory selected must follow the standards set by the Department of Health and Human Services. It must be certified under the auspices of the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act (CLIA) and the Joint Commission of Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO).

Chain of Custody

1. The certified laboratory will provide training and direction to those who supervise the testing program, set up the collection environment, and guarantee specimens and supervise the chain-of-custody. To maintain anonymity, the student's number, not name, will be used.
2. The principal or administrative designee will be responsible for escorting students to the collection site. The student should bring all materials with him or her to the collection site and should not be allowed to go to his or her locker. The administrator should not bring all the students drawn from the pool to the collection site simultaneously. Calling four or five students at a time allows the collections to be carried out quickly and will not cause students to wait a long time, thereby creating a loss of important time from class. Athletes may be called after school, including during practice time.
3. Before the student's urine is tested by the laboratory, students will agree to fill out, sign, and date any form which may be required by the testing laboratory. If a student chooses, he or she may notify the administrator that he or she is taking a prescription medication.
4. A sanitized kit containing a specimen bottle will be given to each student. The bottle will remain in the student's possession until the dip test is performed. If the test is positive, a seal will be placed on the bottle. The student will sign that the specimen has been sealed. The specimen will be sent to the lab. The seal may be broken only by the lab testing the specimen.
5. If the seal is tampered with or broken after leaving the student's possession and prior to arriving at the lab, the specimen is invalid. The student will be called again as soon as possible. The student will remain eligible for extracurricular activities subsequent to a retest.
6. The supervisor obtaining the urine specimen will be of the same gender as the student. Students will be instructed to remove all coats and wash their hands in the presence of the supervisor prior to entering the restroom. The door will be closed so that the student is by him or herself in the restroom to provide a urine specimen. The supervisor will wait outside the restroom. The student will have two minutes to produce a urine specimen. The commode will contain a blue dye so the water cannot be used to dilute the sample. The faucets in the restrooms will be shut off.
7. After it has been sealed, the specimen will be transported to the testing laboratory by lab personnel. The testing laboratory will report the results to the principal or administrative designee.

8. In order to maintain confidentiality, the container which contains the urine specimen to be tested will not have the name of the student on the container. Instead, the student's random identification number will appear on the container. Also, the results sheet for the urinalysis will be mailed to the principal/administrative designee with no name attached; only the student's random identification number will appear on the results sheet.

Test Results

1. This program seeks to provide needed help for students who have a verified positive test. The students' health, welfare, and safety will be the reason for preventing students from participation in extracurricular activities.
2. The principal or administrative designee will be notified of a student testing positive (if the test shows that drug residues are in the student's system after using at least two different types of analyses). The principal or administrative designee will notify the student and his or her parent/guardian. The student or his or her parent/guardian may submit any documented prescription, explanation, or information that will be considered in determining whether a positive test has been satisfactorily explained.
3. In addition, the student or parent/guardian may appeal by requesting that the urine specimen be tested again by the certified laboratory at a cost to the student or his or her parent/guardian.
4. If the test is verified positive, the principal or administrative designee will meet with the student and his or her parent/guardian at the school. The student and parent/guardian will be given the names of counseling and assistance agencies that the family may want to contact for help. The student will be prevented from participating in extracurricular activities until after a follow-up test is requested by the principal/administrative designee and the results are reported.
5. A follow-up test will be requested by the principal/administrative designee after such an interval of time that the substance previously found would normally have been eliminated from the body. If this follow-up test is negative, the student will be allowed to resume extracurricular activities. If a second positive result is obtained from the follow-up test or any later test of that participant, the same previous procedure shall be followed. In addition, the District reserves the right to continue testing, at any time during the remaining school year, any participating student who tested positive and did not make satisfactory explanation.
6. Information on a verified positive test result will be shared on a need-to-know basis with the student's coach or sponsor. The results of negative tests will be kept confidential to protect the identity of all students being tested.
7. Drug testing result sheets will be returned to the principal or administrative designee, identifying students by number and not by name. Names of students tested will not be kept in

open files or on any computer. Result sheets will be locked and secured in a location to which only the principal and/or administrative designee has access.

Financial Responsibility

1. Under this policy, the District will pay for all initial random drug tests, all initial reasonable suspicion drug tests, and all initial follow-up drug tests. Once a student has a verified positive test result and has subsequently tested negative from a follow-up test, any future follow-up drug test that must be conducted will be paid for by the student or his or her parent/guardian.
2. A request on appeal for another test of a positive urine specimen is the financial responsibility of the student or his or her parent/guardian.
3. Counseling and subsequent treatment by non-school agencies are the financial responsibility of the student or his or her parent/guardian.

Confidentiality

Under this drug-testing program, any staff, coach, or sponsor of the District who may have knowledge of the results of a drug test will not divulge to anyone the results of the test or the disposition of the student involved, other than in the case of a legal subpoena being made upon that person in the course of a legal investigation. Once again, this will underscore the District's commitment to confidentiality with regard to the program.

Other Rules

Apart from this drug-testing program, the Idaho High School Activities Association and the coaching staff/sponsor of each sport/activity have their own training rules and requirements. Coaches/sponsors have the necessary authority to enforce those rules. Any student who violates a rule or requirement as a member of a team or activity will be subject to the consequences as defined in those rules and requirements.

Cross Reference: 3380 Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Participation Policy

Legal Reference: Vernonia School District 47J v. Acton, 515 U.S. 646 (1995)
Todd v. Rush County, 139 F.3d 571 (7th Cir.), cert. Denied, 119 S.Ct. 68 (1998)

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School's Extracurricular Activity Consent Form

I have received and have read and understand a copy of School District No. 171's Policy 3400 "Extracurricular Activities Drug-Testing Program". I desire that

_____ participate in this program and in the extracurricular program of School District No. 171 and hereby voluntarily agree to be subject to its terms for the entire high school career (grades 9-12). I accept the method of obtaining urine specimens, testing, and analyses of such specimens and all other aspects of the program. I agree to cooperate in furnishing urine specimens that may be required from time to time.

I further agree and consent to the disclosure of the sampling, testing, and results provided for this program. This consent is given pursuant to all State and federal statutes and is a waiver of rights to nondisclosure of such test records and results only to the extent of the disclosures in the program.

Date: _____, 20____

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

I, _____, have decided **not** to participate in any extracurricular activities sponsored by School District No. 171 for the remainder of this school year. In order for me to participate in the extracurricular activity program at a later date, I understand that I must submit to urinalysis.

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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School Sponsored Student Activities

Student Organizations

1. All student organizations must be approved by the administration. Secret or clandestine organizations or groups will not be permitted;
2. Bylaws and rules of student organizations must not be contrary to Board policy or to administrative rules and regulations; and
3. Procedures in student organizations must follow generally accepted democratic practices in the acceptance of members and nomination and election of officers.

Social Events

1. Social events and other activities must have prior approval of the administration;
2. Social events must be chaperoned at all times; and
3. Attendance at high school social events and dances shall be limited to high school students, and middle school social events shall be limited to middle school students, unless prior permission is received from the principal.

Extracurricular Activities

1. Academic and behavior eligibility rules are established by Idaho High School Activities Association rules and District policy;
2. Any student convicted of a criminal offense may, at the discretion of school officials, become ineligible for such a period of time as the school officials may decide; and
3. In establishing an interscholastic program, the Board directs the administration to:
 - A. Open all sports to all students enrolled in the District with an equal opportunity for participation; and
 - B. Recommend sports activities based on interest inventories completed by the students.

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Student Fund Raising Activities

The Board acknowledges that the solicitations of funds from students, staff, and citizens must be limited since students are a captive audience and since solicitation can disrupt the program of the schools. Solicitation and collection of money by students for any purpose, including the collection of money by students in exchange for tickets, papers, magazine subscriptions, or for any other goods or services for the benefit of an approved school organization, may be permitted by the Superintendent provided that the instructional program is not adversely affected.

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Distribution of Fund Drive Literature through Students

Although many community drives are organized for raising funds for worthy nonprofit causes, it is the policy of the District to refrain from having the students, as student body members, used for such collection or dissemination purposes.

Exceptions to this policy will be considered when recognized student or school-affiliated organizations of the District request permission to participate in such activity.

Cross Reference: 4310

Contact with Students

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Student Fees, Fines, and Charges/Return of Property

The District shall charge no fee for any course for which academic credit is awarded.

A student may be charged a reasonable fee for any non-credit course or non-curricular activity such as an extracurricular activity, student activity, or membership in a voluntary club or association. The Board may waive the fee in cases of financial hardship.

Additional fees may be charged for “enhanced programming and materials” which are voluntary enrichments to the curriculum beyond what is necessary to meet the learning expectations for a particular grade or course (i.e. students may wish to use a superior product or consumable than that provided by the school, in which case they may be asked to pay the additional cost for the upgrade).

A student shall be responsible for the cost of replacing materials or property lost or damaged due to negligence. If school property in a student’s possession is lost, broken, or otherwise damaged, the student may be charged the lesser of the fair market value of the item at the time or the cost of repair.

The District may require, as a condition of graduation, issuance of a diploma or certificate, or issuance of a transcript, that all indebtedness incurred by a student be satisfied, or that all books or other instructional material, uniforms, athletic equipment, advances on loans, or other personal property of the District be returned.

The Board delegates authority to the Superintendent to recommend appropriate fees to the Board and to set procedures governing the collection of fees. The Superintendent shall make annual reports to the Board regarding fee schedules.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-603 Payment of Fees or Returning of Property

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Student Vehicle Parking

Students are permitted to park on school premises as a matter of privilege, not of right. Patrols and inspections may be conducted without notice, without student consent, and without a search warrant. Students are required to unlock vehicles for reasonable inspection when required to do so by an administrator. Failure to cooperate may result in the loss of permission to drive a vehicle onto campus, in-school suspension, or short-term suspension from school. In cases involving drugs, alcohol, or firearms the local sheriff or police may be called.

Students will be permitted to park their vehicle in the school parking lot provided they have:

1. A current vehicle insurance policy;
2. A driver's license; and
3. Vehicle registration.

Additional parking requirements include:

1. Students must complete the Student Vehicle Parking form prior to parking on school grounds;
2. Automobiles are restricted to parking in spaces marked for parking. All automobiles inappropriately parked are subject to being towed without additional warning and at owner's expense;
3. Joint School District No. 171 assumes no responsibility for automobiles left in the lot overnight;
4. Joint School District No. 171 is not responsible for theft or damage to automobiles parked in the student parking lot;
5. The student parking lot is off limits during normal class time, except when the student has written permission from an administrator; and
6. Students are prohibited from loitering in the parking lot. Students must enter the building immediately upon arrival.

Any violation of this policy shall result in the following:

1. First Offense: Conference between the administration and student.
2. Second Offense: Conference between the administration, parent/guardian, and student.
3. Third Offense: Loss of right to drive and park on campus.

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Student Vehicle Parking Application

Student Name (please print)

Age

School

Student Address

City

Zip Code

Vehicle Make

Model

Year

License Plate No.

Student's Driver's License No.

Insurance Co. Name

Insurance Agent's Name

Insurance Policy No.

Name of Car Owner

I certify, by my signature below, that the above information is true. I agree that my being able to operate and to park a vehicle on school property is a privilege conditioned on my willingness to have that vehicle subject to search by school authorities at any time the vehicle is on school property. I also understand that it is my responsibility to obey the speed limit on school grounds, to operate the car safely going to and from school and school events, to park in designated areas, and to maintain legally required insurance on the vehicle. Finally, I understand that any violation of this agreement or other school rules can lead to the revocation of all parking privileges. I further understand that motor vehicles in violation of the District's Student Vehicle Parking policy may be subject to towing.

Student Signature

Date

I, the parent/legal guardian of _____ hereby verify the information supplied above and understand and agree with the rules pertaining to the operation of a vehicle by students of the District.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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School-Related Foreign Travel By Students

School-related foreign trips are allowed by Joint School District No. 171 when the experiences are an integral part of the school curriculum and contribute to the District's desired educational goals. Field trips are intended to allow students experiences that provide them with insight, information, or knowledge that cannot be adequately developed through regular classroom experience.

When contemplating approval of foreign travel by students, the Superintendent shall take into account any travel warnings or cautions of the U.S. Department of State. The Superintendent shall seek advice concerning foreign travel from the District's legal counsel and insurance carrier.

School-related foreign travel supplements regular instructional programs and affords students opportunities for enrichment. However, participation in school-related foreign travel is a privilege, not a right. As representatives of their school and District, students participating in such activities are expected to meet high standards of behavior.

Trip Plan Submission/Proposal

All student activities involving travel shall be authorized by the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee. Each trip's authorization shall be based on the written rationale of the travel's educational value as well as the safety and welfare of the students involved.

Requests for trips must be submitted to the Superintendent no later than eight weeks in advance of the trip.

Trips should be scheduled as much as possible during non-school hours and days, such as spring or summer break, so that absences from other instructional programs are kept to a minimum.

The teacher(s) responsible for the trip shall submit a list of participants to the school nurse so that provisions for any special medical problems and/or precautions can be provided.

Advertising, including the distribution of materials, will be allowed during the school day.

Private groups and organizations may not use the District in any way to promote their activities.

The Superintendent will develop procedures for trips, including the approval process, and procedures to be used in case of accident, illness, and student conduct violations.

The trip proposal must be in writing and contain the following elements:

1. Identify the purpose of the trip and an outline of anticipated educational experiences and/or course of study to be followed;
2. Identify the names of students and chaperones attending the trip;
3. Identify and plan for any special medical needs of student and chaperones attending the trip;
4. Identify adequate liability insurance to protect the District, Board members, chaperones, teachers and students;
5. Submit an itemized statement of costs, including transportation, meals, and accommodations; and
6. Submit an itemized statement of costs as appropriate to the school-sponsored trip, such as passport and visa expenses, costs of a personal nature, and optional trip insurance.

The Superintendent may enforce restrictions regarding the date, length of time, and the chaperone/student ratio as a condition of approval.

Students participating in the trip during school hours are permitted and expected to make up any school work missed. The student's absence shall be recorded as "excused." The total number of school days missed due to the trip must be included in the written proposal.

A plan must be developed for the administration of medication for any student requiring such assistance.

The proposal must include the names and numbers of chaperones, including both male and female chaperones if the proposal is for a mixed group of students.

In developing the proposal for the extended trip, the trip organizer will perform the following duties:

1. Hold at least one pre-trip meeting with students and parents/guardians;
2. Provide to the Superintendent, students, parents/guardians, and chaperones detailed written information about the trip and all activities;
3. Provide detailed information on the responsibilities and rules for the students and chaperones;
4. Discuss District policy regarding student conduct while on school-sponsored activities;
5. Establish a curfew and enforce strict compliance to this curfew. Chaperones will be required to perform periodic checks to ensure that students are following the curfew requirements;
6. Perform periodic checks to ensure strict compliance with all school rules and policies; and
7. Refrain from using tobacco and consuming alcoholic beverages or drugs while on the extended trip.

Pre-Trip Meetings

Pre-trip meetings involving students and their parents, as appropriate, shall be scheduled to assure that all plans are clearly understood. Pre-trip meetings shall not occur until approval from the Superintendent has been received.

Chaperones

Trip chaperones must include at least one certified staff member from the school sponsoring the trip. Depending on the number of students involved, additional certified staff and/or parents/guardians of students going on the trip may be necessary. Chaperones shall be selected by the trip teacher/advisor. Chaperones are under the supervision of the trip teacher/advisor.

A student will be permitted to stay in the same motel/hotel room with a chaperone only if the chaperone is the student's parent/guardian. Students whose parents/guardians are not serving as chaperones will share rooms with same-sex students only.

Chaperones will agree to the following duties:

1. Supervise and be responsible for students during the entirety of the trip;
2. Ensure that students follow all legal and school requirements;
3. Establish a procedure for room checks and monitor compliance; and
4. In all ways model the behaviors expected of District students.

Any adult convicted of any sex or drug related offenses may not serve as a chaperone. The District reserves the right to request background checks on chaperones.

The safety, protection, and supervision of District students are the sole purposes for adult chaperones accompanying District students on foreign trips. Agreeing to serve as a chaperone is accompanied by an understanding that the established rules and policies will be followed.

The certified staff member serving as the trip organizer will carry a roster of students who are on the trip along with emergency information on each student.

Children who are not a part of the group participating in the trip may not accompany parents when the parents serve as chaperones.

All trips must be adequately supervised with a minimum of one adult per ten students. Groups with both male and female participants must have supervision of at least one male and one female adult.

Student Conduct

Students participating in the trip will be subject to all codes of conduct in District policy. Violations will result in appropriate disciplinary action.

Students and their parent/guardian are expected to be knowledgeable about the District's policy on student conduct. Trips are considered an extension of the classroom and all rules and policy pertaining to a school-sponsored activity must be followed.

Students and their parent/guardian will read and sign a code of conduct. The code of conduct will be prepared by the Superintendent and will be reviewed during the pre-trip meetings. Students who violate any school policy during an extended trip may be disciplined, including, but not limited to, being sent home at the parent/guardian's expense.

Permission

All students must return a permission slip for the trip, signed by a parent/guardian, before they will be allowed to participate in the trip.

Fundraising

Fundraising drives may be allowed to defray costs, however, all fundraisers must be pre-approved by the building principal.

Responsibilities

The responsibilities of the principal or Superintendent include:

1. Obtaining and retaining on file written parental permission for students who are under the age of 18;
2. Signing any contractual agreement with a public carrier or any other service provider;
3. Assuring that all plans and arrangements are provided to and understood by the students and their parents; and
4. Setting student and chaperone conduct rules.

The responsibilities of the trip organizer include:

1. Communicating conduct rules of students and chaperones to parents/guardians, students, and chaperones. Setting behavior expectations for students and chaperones;
2. Carrying a list of the names of students and chaperones participating and their emergency information, and submitting a copy of the list to the building principal prior to the trip;
3. Notifying the building principal of any emergency situation, such as an accident involving student(s), a student missing from the group, etc.; and
4. Identifying and providing to parents an emergency plan.

Cancellation of Trips

Cancellation of trips may occur due to weather, safety, world events, or local school need. Trips will be cancelled only under circumstances under which appropriate school authorities believe it is reasonably cautious and prudent to do so in order to ensure the safety of students and staff or to

ensure the effective operation of the local school. In such cases, every effort will be made to provide as much advance notice as possible.

The District is not responsible for financial losses to students and parents due to cancellation of trips.

The authority to cancel trips rests with the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee.

Report of Trip Conclusion

Following the trip, the trip organizer shall prepare and present a summary and evaluation of the trip to the Superintendent and building principal. The Board may request a summary and evaluation be presented to the Board.

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Student Health/Physical Screenings/Examinations

The Board may arrange each year for health services to be provided to all students. Such services may include, but are not limited to:

1. The development of procedures at each building for the isolation and temporary care of students who become ill during the school day;
2. The consulting services of a qualified specialist for staff, students, and parents;
3. Vision and hearing screening;
4. Scoliosis screening; and
5. Immunization as provided by the Department of Health and Human Services.

Parents/guardians will receive a written notice of any screening result which indicates a condition that might interfere or tend to interfere with a student's progress.

In general, the District will not conduct physical examinations of a student without parental consent to do so or by court order, unless the health or safety of the student or others is in question. Further, parents will be notified of the specific or approximate dates during the school year when any non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening administered by the District is conducted which is:

1. Required as a condition of attendance;
2. Administered by the school and scheduled by the school in advance; and
3. Not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of the student or other students.

Parents or eligible students will be given the opportunity to opt out of the above-described non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening.

As used in this policy, the term "invasive physical examination" means any medical examination involving the exposure of private body parts or any act during such examination that includes incision, insertion, or injection into the body, but this does not include a hearing, vision, or scoliosis screening.

Students who wish to participate in certain extracurricular activities may be required to submit to a physical examination to verify their ability to participate in the activity. Students participating in activities governed by the Idaho High School Activities Association will be required to follow the rules of that organization, as well as other applicable District policies, rules, and regulations.

All parents will be notified of the requirements of the District's policy on physical examinations and screening of students, at least annually at the beginning of the school year and within a reasonable period of time after any substantive change in the policy.

Legal Reference: General Education Provisions Act, 20 U.S.C. 1232h(b)
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Concussion Protocol

Many students within Joint School District, No. 171 participate in extra-curricular activities of a nature whereby physical injury may result. Though the District takes care to ensure all extracurricular activities are as safe as practicable, it is not possible to remove all danger from such activities, and the District acknowledges that concussions may result. The purpose of this policy is to prepare a procedure for addressing situations in which student concussions have occurred, or are suspected to have occurred.

This policy only applies to organized athletic league or sport in which any District middle school, junior high school, or high school student participates as an athlete or youth athlete. For the purposes of this policy, athlete or youth athlete means an individual who is 18 years of age or younger and who is a participant in any middle school, junior high school, or high school athletic league or sport. A school athletic league or sport shall not include participation in a physical education class.

Pre-Season Education

The administration and coaches will work to ensure that athletes, youth athletes, parents, volunteers, and assistant coaches are educated about concussions. Prior to being allowed to engage or participate in any school athletic league or sport, as discussed above:

1. Each student desiring to participate in such school athletic league or sport, and the student's parents/guardians, shall be provided notice of or copies of any concussion guidelines or information available from the State Department of Education and the Idaho High School Activities Association, and also this policy.
2. Each student desiring to participate in such school athletic league or sport, and the student's parents or guardians, shall acknowledge that they have been provided the guidelines or information available from the State Department of Education and the Idaho High School Activities Association, as well as this policy, and have had the opportunity to review and have reviewed such information. Further, each student and the student's parents/guardians shall sign an applicable waiver for participating in such school athletic league or sport.
3. The signed waiver and acknowledgment of review of the appropriate information shall be returned to the District.
4. As part of any required pre-athletic league or sport participation medical examination or physical, the medical provider performing the examination shall check for signs of previous concussions. Such medical provider shall indicate whether signs of previous

concussions are indicated, and whether the student should or should not be allowed to participate in the school athletic league or sport.

Athletes will not be allowed to participate in school athletic leagues or sports until the above steps are accomplished.

Coaches, referees, game officials, game judges, and athletic trainers shall review any concussion guidelines or information available from the State Department of Education and the Idaho High School Activities Association and information upon employment and biannually thereafter.

Protocol on Suspected Concussion

If, during any school athletic league or sport practice, game, or competition, an athlete exhibits signs or symptoms of a concussion, makes any complaint indicative of a possible concussion, or a coach, assistant coach, volunteer coach, or other School District employee has reason to believe a concussion has occurred, such student shall be removed from play or participation in the practice, game, or competition. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and for the purposes of this policy, signs observed by coaching staff which could be indicative of a concussion include if the student:

1. Appears dazed or stunned;
2. Is confused about assignment or position;
3. Forgets an instruction;
4. Is unsure of game, score, or opponent;
5. Moves clumsily;
6. Answers questions slowly;
7. Loses consciousness (even briefly);
8. Shows mood, behavior, or personality changes;
9. Can't recall events prior to the hit or fall; or
10. Can't recall events after the hit or fall.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and for the purposes of this policy, symptoms reported by the athlete which could be indicative of a concussion include:

1. Headache or "pressure" in head;
2. Nausea or vomiting;
3. Balance problems or dizziness;
4. Double or blurry vision;
5. Sensitivity to light;
6. Sensitivity to noise;
7. Feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy, or groggy;
8. Concentration or memory problems;
9. Confusion; or
10. Does not "feel right" or is "feeling down".

Coaches should not try to judge the severity of the injury themselves. Health care professionals have a number of methods that they can use to assess the severity of concussions. Coaches should record the following information, if possible, to help health care professionals in assessing the athlete after the injury:

1. Cause of the injury and force of the hit or blow to the head or body;
2. Was there any loss of consciousness (passed out/knocked out) and if so, for how long;
3. Was there any memory loss immediately following the injury;
4. Were there any seizures immediately following the injury; and
5. The number of previous concussions (if any)

School principals shall ensure that a health record is maintained in for each student.

Athletes may not be returned to play or participate in any student athletic league or sport until and unless the athlete has been evaluated and is authorized to return to play or participate by a qualified health care professional who is trained in the evaluation and management of concussions. This health care professional must be a physician or physician's assistant licensed under chapter 18, title 54, Idaho Code, an advanced practice nurse licensed under Idaho Code 54-1409, or a licensed health care professional trained in the evaluation and management of concussions who is supervised by a directing physician who is licensed under chapter 18, title 54, Idaho Code.

Such authorization must be in writing, and must be provided to the District prior to the student being returned to play. If the authorization is signed by a licensed health care professional trained in the evaluation and management of concussions, such authorization must also be countersigned by the directing physician.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-1625 Youth Athletes – Concussion and Head Injury Guidelines

Other Reference: <http://www.idhsaa.org/medicine/concussion.aspx>
<http://www.cdc.gov/headsup/index.html>
http://www.cdc.gov/headsup/basics/concussion_symptoms.html

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Acknowledgement of Receipt of Concussion Guidelines

Parent's/Guardian's Signature

I, (print name) _____, acknowledge that I am the parent or guardian of the student (below); that I have received from the District information related to student athlete concussions, including information from the State Department of Education, the Idaho High School Activities Association, and District Policy 3505; and have had the opportunity to review and have reviewed such information. I understand that participation in school athletics leagues or sports is dangerous, and hereby agree to waive all liability against Joint School District, No. 171, its employees, agents, and Trustees, related to any injury or damages that student may experience or incur as a result of participation in such school athletics leagues or sports.

Signature

Date

Student's Signature

I, (print name) _____, acknowledge that I am a student of Joint School District, No. 171, or otherwise am allowed to participate in school athletics leagues or sports; that I have received from the District information related to student athlete concussions, including information from the State Department of Education, the Idaho High School Activities Association, and District Policy 3505; and have had the opportunity to review and have reviewed such information. I understand that participation in school athletics leagues or sports is dangerous, and accept the risk of the potential consequences of such dangers.

Signature

Date

NOTE: Both signature lines must be filled in and this form must be provided to the District prior to the student athlete participating in any school athletic leagues or sports.

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Authorization to Return to Play or Participate in Student Sports

I hereby state that I am a:

____ Physician licensed pursuant to chapter 18, title 54, Idaho Code.

____ Physician's assistant licensed pursuant to chapter 18, title 54, Idaho Code.

____ Advanced practice nurse licensed under section 54-1409, Idaho Code.

____ A licensed health care professional trained in the evaluation and management of concussions who is supervised by a directing physician licensed under chapter 18, title 54, Idaho Code. My directing physician is _____, his or her license number is _____, and address is:

I further state that I have met with _____ (hereinafter referred to as "student athlete") to evaluate student athlete for a concussion. I have discussed with student athlete the potential ramifications of continuing to play sports after having received a concussion or exhibiting concussion like symptoms. I am satisfied that student athlete can return to play and/or participate in school athletic leagues or sports without significant likelihood of danger or injury, and I therefore authorize student athlete to return to play and/or participation in school athletic leagues or sports.

Signature

Date

License No.

Address

Signature of Directing Physician
(if signed by a Licensed Health Care Professional)

Date

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Student Medicines

Assistance in Self Administration of Medicines to Students

Any school employee authorized in writing by the school administrator or school principal:

1. May assist in the self-administration of any drug that may lawfully be sold over the counter without a prescription to a pupil in compliance with the written instructions, if the pupil's parent/guardian consents in writing.
2. May assist in the self-administration of a prescription drug to a pupil in compliance with the written instructions of a licensed health care practitioner, if the pupil's parent/guardian consents in writing.

Administering Medicines to Students

No employee except a qualified health care professional may administer a drug or prescription drug to a pupil under this policy except in an emergency situation.

The Board will permit the administration of medication to students in schools in its jurisdiction. Pursuant to the written authorization of the student's licensed health care practitioner, as well as the written authorization of a parent/guardian, the school nurse (who has received direction as to the administration of medication by the student's licensed health care practitioner) may administer medication to any student in the school.

Where administration of medication is a routine activity for a particular student, the subject shall be addressed in a student's health care plan, Section 504 Plan or IEP, as applicable.

Diagnosis and treatment of illness and the prescribing of drugs are never the responsibility of a school employee and should not be practiced by any school personnel.

The absence of a school nurse for the administration of medication shall be addressed on a case-by-case basis considering proper compliance with Idaho law and the medical needs of the student.

Emergency Administration of Medicines

In case of an anaphylactic reaction or the risk of such reaction, a school nurse or delegate may administer emergency oral and/or injectable medication to any student in need thereof on the school grounds, in the school building, or at a school function, according to the standing order of the chief medical advisor or the student's private physician.

In the absence of a school nurse, the administrator or designated staff member exempt from the nurse licensure requirements who has completed training in administration of medication, may give emergency medication to students orally or by injection. There must be on record a medically diagnosed allergic condition which would require prompt treatment to protect the student from serious harm or death.

Record of the medication administered in an emergency will be entered on an Individual Student Medication Record and filed in the student's cumulative health folder.

Self-Monitoring and Treatment of Diabetes

A student with diabetes, upon written request of the student's parent/guardian and written authorization from the student's treating physician, shall be permitted by the Board to perform blood glucose checks, administer insulin through the insulin delivery system the student uses, treat hypoglycemia and hyperglycemia, and otherwise attend to the care and management of the student's diabetes in the classroom and in any area of the school or school grounds, and to possess on the student's person at all times all necessary supplies and equipment to perform these monitoring and treatment functions.

Self-Administration of Asthma Medication, Insulin/Diabetic Treatment, or Epinephrine Auto-Injectors

Pursuant to Idaho Code covering the self-administration of asthma medication, the following shall apply to epinephrine auto-injectors, insulin, or blood glucose monitoring supplies if a parent/legal guardian chooses to have his or her child self-medicate:

1. The parents/guardians of the pupil shall provide to the Board or designee written authorization for the self-administration of medication.
2. The parents/guardians of the pupil shall provide to the Board or designee written certification from the physician of the pupil that the pupil has a severe allergic reaction (anaphylaxis), asthma, another potentially life-threatening respiratory illness, or diabetes and is capable of, and has been instructed in, the proper method of self-administration of medication. In cases where the pupil has severe or life-threatening allergies, Policy 3515 Food Allergy Management, and any related procedures shall be followed. For students with a severe allergic reaction, asthma, another potentially life-threatening respiratory illness, or diabetes the student's physician or health care provider-supplied information shall contain:
 - A. The name and purpose of the medicine;
 - B. The prescribed dosage;
 - C. The time(s) at which or the special circumstances under which medication should be administered;
 - D. The length of time for which medication is prescribed;
 - E. The possible side-effects of the medicine;

- F. Actions to take in the event of an emergency, including if the medication does not improve the child's breathing or allergic reaction;
 - G. Contact information for the physician and parent/guardian; and
 - H. If applicable, a list of the child's asthma triggers or allergies.
3. The school's administration and appropriate teachers and school personnel are informed that the student is self-administering prescribed medication. Such notification shall be done in a manner so as to best preserve the privacy of the student and the student's medical condition to the extent appropriate.

For students with severe or life-threatening allergies this information may be provided in the student's Emergency Care Plan.

Additional Requirements for Self-Administration of Medicines

The Board or Board designee will inform the parents/guardians of the pupil in writing that the District and its employees or agents shall incur no liability as a result of any injury arising from the self-administration of medication by the pupil, absent any negligence by the District, its employees, or its agents, or as a result of providing all relevant information provided pursuant to subdivisions of this subsection with the school nurse, absent any negligence by the District, its employees, or its agents, or in the absence of such nurse, to the school administrator.

The parents/guardians of the pupil shall sign a statement acknowledging that the District shall incur no liability as a result of any injury arising from the self-administration of medication by the pupil and that the parents/guardians shall indemnify and hold harmless the District and its employees or agents against any claims arising out of the self-administration of medication by the pupil.

Students who are authorized to carry their own epinephrine auto-injectors or supplies or equipment necessary for diabetes monitoring and/or treatment of diabetes may be retested periodically to ensure they are still capable of correctly self-administering the medication.

As used in this section:

1. "Medication" means an epinephrine auto-injector, a metered dose inhaler, or a dry powder inhaler or insulin, insulin delivery system and/or supplies or equipment necessary for diabetes monitoring and/or treatment prescribed by a physician and having an individual label;
2. "Self-administration" means a student's use of medication pursuant to prescription or written direction from a physician; and
3. A student who is permitted to self-administer medication pursuant to this section shall be permitted to possess and use the prescribed medication at all times.

Any school employee authorized in writing by the school administrator or principal may assist with self-administration of medications provided that only the following acts are used:

1. Verbal suggestions, prompting, reminding, gesturing, or providing a written guide for self-administering medications;
2. Handing a prefilled, labeled medication holder, labeled unit dose container, syringe, or original marked, labeled container from the pharmacy to the student;
3. Opening the lid of the above container for the student;
4. Guiding the hand of the student to self-administer the medication;
5. Holding a container of fluid and assisting the student in drinking fluid to assist in the swallowing of oral medications; and/or
6. Assisting with removal of a medication from a container for students with a physical disability which prevents independence in the act.

Handling and Storage of Medicines

All medications, including those approved for keeping by students for self medication, must first be delivered by the parent or other responsible adult to the nurse or employee assisting with the self-administration of medication. The nurse or the employee must:

1. Examine any new medication to ensure that it is properly labeled with dates, name of student, medication name, dosage, and physician's name;
2. If administration is necessary, the nurse must develop a medication administration plan for the student before any medication is given by school personnel;
3. Record on the Student's Individual Medication Record the date the medication is delivered and the amount of medication received;
4. Store medication requiring refrigeration at 36F - 46F; and
5. Store prescribed medicinal preparations in a securely locked storage compartment excluding those medications approved for self-administration. Controlled substances will be contained in a separate compartment, secured, and locked at all times. Students shall be permitted to possess and use a prescribed inhaler or epinephrine auto-injector at all times.

No more than a 45 school day supply of a medication for a student will be stored at the school. All medications, prescription and nonprescription, will be stored in their original containers.

Access to all stored medication will be limited to persons authorized to administer medications or assist in the self-administration of medications. Each school will maintain a current list of those persons authorized by delegation from a licensed nurse to administer medications.

Disposal of Medication

School personnel must either return to the parent/guardian or destroy (with permission of the parent/guardian) any unused, discontinued, or obsolete medication. Medicine which is not repossessed by the parent/guardian within a seven day period of notification by school authorities will be destroyed by the school nurse in the presence of a witness

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-520	Policy Governing Medical Inhalers, Epinephrine Auto-
	Injectors, Insulin and Blood Glucose Monitoring Supplies
I.C. § 54-1401	Purpose- License Required-Representation to the Public

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Authorization for Self-Administered Medication

Student's Name: _____ Grade: _____ DOB: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Telephone: (Home): _____ (Work): _____

I give my permission for my child to self-administer the medication described below. I shall indemnify and hold harmless the District and its employees or agents for legal fees, costs, and any potential damages concerning self-administration of this medication arising out of any claims brought by the above named child or anyone else.

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date

.....

THE FOLLOWING IS TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PHYSICIAN:

I am recommending that the above named student be allowed to self-administer the following medication.

Name and Purpose of Medication: _____

Identification of Chronic Medical Problem: _____

Prescribed Dosage to be Taken: _____

Length of Time Medication Must be Taken: _____

Possible Side-Effects and/or Special Precautions to be Taken: _____

Conditions Under Which Self-Medication Will Take Place:

_____ **Independently** (*Child must have had training and be proficient in self-administering medication.*)

Trainer's Name: _____

Date of Training: _____

_____ **Under the supervision of a school nurse**

Medication should be: _____ Stored in the Health Office

_____ In the possession of the student

Type or Print Physician's Name

Physician's Signature

Date

**Indemnification/Hold Harmless Agreement
For Self-Administration of Medication**

Student Name: _____

The parent(s)/guardians(s) agree to indemnify, defend, and hold the School District harmless from any and all claims, actions, costs, expenses, damages, and liabilities, including attorney's fees, arising out of, connected with, or resulting from the self-administration of medication by the pupil. The parent(s)/guardians(s) agree(s) that the School District, Board of Education, Board of Education employees and its agents shall incur no liability as a result of any injury arising out of or connected with the self-administration of medication by the pupil. Specifically, the parent(s)/guardian(s) agree that they will not institute either on their own behalf or on behalf of the pupil, any claim or action against the Board of Education, Board of Education employees and its agents arising out of or connected with self-administration of medication by the pupil.

This agreement shall take effect on the date listed below and shall stay in effect for as long as the pupil is provided permission to self-administer medication. This agreement must be signed and in full effect prior to the granting of permission to self-administer medication.

Parent/Guardian's Name (Please Print)

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Parent/Guardian's Name (Please Print)

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Principal's Signature

Date of Agreement

Food Allergy Management

Food-allergic reactions can develop into severe or life-threatening reactions and, even with proper treatment, can be fatal. A student's ability to learn may be drastically altered by their fears of a reaction. The Board will endeavor to provide a safe and healthy environment for students with severe and life-threatening food allergies and to address food allergy management in District schools in order to:

1. Reduce the likelihood of severe or potentially life-threatening allergic reactions;
2. Ensure a rapid and effective response in the case of a severe or potentially life-threatening allergic reaction; and
3. To provide students, through necessary accommodations, the opportunity to participate fully in all school programs and activities, including classroom parties and field trips.

Food allergy management will focus on prevention, education, awareness, communication, and emergency response.

District and school administrators, will endeavor to be knowledgeable about and follow all applicable federal laws, including the Americans with Disabilities Act, Section 504, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, as well as all State laws and District policies and guidelines that may apply to students with allergies. Administrators or their designees may make all of the appropriate allergy forms available to parents, explain the procedures for completing and returning them, and ensure that all forms and health records submitted by parents and physicians are reviewed by the appropriate personnel. Administrators and school nurses may also meet with parents and listen to their needs and concerns.

When a student has been identified as having food allergies verified by a physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant, individual written management plans may be used to determine accommodations to be made on a daily basis to prevent and prepare for an allergic reaction. An emergency care plan may be used to provide direction in the event of a life-threatening allergic reaction at school or at a school event. Key staff members may be trained to use emergency medications and may be notified of the location of those medications at school and at any special function.

The Superintendent or designee, in coordination with the school nurse, school nutrition services staff, and other pertinent staff, may develop administrative regulations to implement this policy, including regulations pertaining to all classrooms and instructional areas, school cafeterias, outdoor activity areas, school buses, field trips, and school activities held before or after the school day.

Administrative regulations may address the following components:

1. Identification of students with food allergies and provision of school health services;
2. Development and implementation of individual written management plans;
3. Medication protocols, including methods of storage, access, and administration;
4. Development of a comprehensive and coordinated approach to creating a healthy school environment;
5. Ensuring that the needs of children with documented allergies are taken into consideration in planning for District programs;
6. Communication and confidentiality;
7. Emergency response;
8. Professional development and training for school personnel;
9. Awareness education for students and parents/guardians;
10. Training for District staff and volunteers; and
11. Policy monitoring and evaluation.

Allergy-related policies, protocols, and plans may be updated annually or after any serious allergic reaction occurs at school or at a school-sponsored activity.

The Superintendent or designee may annually notify students, parents/guardians, staff, and the public about the District's food allergy management policy by publishing such in handbooks and newsletters, on the District's website, through posted notices, or other efficient methods.

Students with allergies will be treated in a way that encourages the student to report possible exposure to allergens and any symptoms of an allergic reaction and to progress toward self-care with his or her food allergy management skills. Allergy-related bullying will not be tolerated.

The parent/guardian is expected to provide an adequate supply of the medication to be dispensed, and to retrieve any unused medication at the end of the school year or at the withdrawal of the student. Medication that is not retrieved by the parent/guardian by the student's last day of attendance during the school year will be disposed of by the District. This disposal will be verified by two people.

Cross Reference:	2400	Special Education
	2410	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
	3510	Administering Medicines to Students
	3510F1	Authorization for Self-Administered Asthma/Emergency Medication
	3510F2	Indemnification/Hold Harmless Agreement for Self-Administration of Medication

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Food Allergy Management — Background

THIS DOCUMENT IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY AND IS NOT INTENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS A POLICY OR PROCEDURE.

A food allergy is an abnormal, adverse reaction to a food that is triggered by the body's immune system. It is different from a food intolerance, which does not involve the immune system and is not life-threatening. Allergic food reactions can span a wide range of severity of symptoms. The most severe and potentially life threatening reaction is anaphylaxis. Anaphylaxis refers to a collection of symptoms affecting multiple systems in the body, the most dangerous of which are breathing difficulties and a drop in blood pressure. Eight foods (peanuts, tree nuts, milk, eggs, soy, wheat, fish, and shellfish) account for more than 90% of all food allergies, while peanuts and tree nuts together account for more than 90% of severe and fatal allergic reactions to food. Exposure may occur by eating the food or by food contact. Severe allergic reactions can occur within minutes of ingestion, but a reaction can be delayed for up to two hours. Some reactions are "biphasic" in nature with an initial period of symptoms, then a symptom free period of two to four hours followed by severe shock-like symptoms.

The most commonly prescribed medications for the treatment of anaphylaxis are epinephrine, with brand names that include, but are not limited to, EpiPen®, EpiPen Jr®, and Twinject®. Delaying use of epinephrine during an allergic reaction can be fatal.

If a student has a severe or life-threatening allergy or an allergy that impairs a major life activity their condition may qualify as a disability and may be covered under the Federal Americans with Disability Act (ADA), and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The student's physician usually makes this determination. In some circumstances, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act may also apply.

While some schools have sought to protect students with life-threatening allergies by banning allergen-containing foods from school grounds, such bans are often controversial and difficult to enforce. In many cases, simply designating and maintaining particular lunchroom tables, desks, classrooms, or other specific areas of a school as allergen-free is sufficient. Allergen management is often easier for students of middle-school age or older, as they are able to take greater responsibility for avoiding allergens.

Emergency Care Plan

The information on this form will be made available to Food Service and all school personnel who have responsibilities for the care of the student. All information will remain confidential.

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

School: _____

Grade: _____

Known Allergies: _____

Asthmatic? Yes: * _____ No: _____

**Higher risk for severe reaction*

Insert
Student's Picture

STEP 1: TREATMENT

NOTE: Different symptoms may occur with any reaction and the severity of symptoms can change rapidly. Delay in treatment can be fatal. A high level of vigilance must be maintained for any symptoms exhibited by a student with food allergies. **Act quickly!**

Symptoms

Select the medication to be given in each circumstance (To be determined by physician authorizing treatment).			
Food allergen has been ingested, but no symptoms:	Epinephrine:		Antihistamine:
MOUTH: Itchy, tingling, or swelling of lips, tongue, mouth	Epinephrine:		Antihistamine:
SKIN: Hives, itchy rash, swelling of the face or extremities	Epinephrine:		Antihistamine:
GUT: Nausea, abdominal cramps, vomiting, diarrhea	Epinephrine:		Antihistamine:
THROAT: Tightening of throat, hoarseness, hacking cough	Epinephrine:		Antihistamine:
LUNG: Shortness of breath, repetitive coughing, wheezing	Epinephrine:		Antihistamine:
HEART: Thready pulse, low blood pressure, fainting, pale, blue	Epinephrine:		Antihistamine:
OTHER:	Epinephrine:		Antihistamine:
If more than one of the above areas is affected	Epinephrine:		Antihistamine:

Dosage (to be determined by physician authorizing treatment)

Epinephrine: (circle one) EpiPen EpiPen Jr. Twinject 0.3 mg Twinject .15mg
Inject intramuscularly (see following page for instructions)

Antihistamine: _____
(medication/dose/route)

Other: _____
(medication/dose/route)

Important: Asthma inhalers and antihistamines cannot be depended on to replace epinephrine in anaphylaxis.

STEP 2: EMERGENCY CALLS

Important: Even if a parent or guardian cannot be reached, do not hesitate to medicate or take the child to a medical facility.

1. Call 911. State that an allergic reaction has been treated and additional epinephrine may be needed. Send someone to meet the emergency services personnel at the school entrance and direct them to the site of the incident. The student will need to be transported to the hospital for further observation.

2. Notify the school nurse and school principal. Normally the administrator or their designee will make the rest of the emergency calls.

3. Dr. _____ Phone Number: _____

4. Parent: _____ Phone Number: _____

Parent: _____ Phone Number: _____

5. Emergency Contacts:

Name/Relationship: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Name/Relationship: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Doctor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Epinephrine Directions

The following staff members have been trained to use the epinephrine auto-injectors:




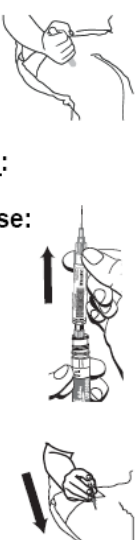
Name: _____ Room: _____

Name: _____ Room: _____

Name: _____ Room: _____

Name: _____ Room: _____

Name: _____ Room: _____

EpiPen® and EpiPen® Jr. Directions	Twinject™ 0.3 mg and Twinject™ 0.15 mg Directions
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Pull off gray activation cap.  <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Hold black tip near outer thigh (always apply to thigh).  <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Swing and jab firmly into outer thigh until Auto-Injector mechanism functions. Hold in place and count to 10. Remove the EpiPen® unit and massage the injection area for 10 seconds.	 <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Pull off green end cap, then red end cap.▪ Put gray cap against outer thigh, press down firmly until needle penetrates. Hold for 10 seconds, then remove. <p>SECOND DOSE ADMINISTRATION: If symptoms don't improve after 10 minutes, administer second dose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Unscrew gray cap and pull syringe from barrel by holding blue collar at needle base.▪ Slide yellow or orange collar off plunger.▪ Put needle into thigh through skin, push plunger down all the way, and remove. 

Once the EpiPen or Twinject is used, call 911. Take the used unit with you to the emergency room. Plan to stay for observation at the Emergency room for at least 4 hours.

Food Allergy Management

Medical Plans of Care

There are several written documents individualized for a particular student with a severe or life-threatening food allergy which may be used to address the student's needs throughout the school day. These may be developed with input from a core team, which may include the student (if appropriate), the student's parent/guardian, the principal or his or her designee, the student's teacher, the school nurse, the cafeteria manager, the counselor, transportation staff, coaches, and other personnel deemed necessary to make decisions about food allergies. Medical plans of care may include the:

Emergency Care Plan: A medical plan of care distributed to all school personnel who have responsibilities for the care of the student. This plan specifically describes how to recognize a food allergy emergency and what to do when signs or symptoms of these conditions are observed. In the event the student reports exposure to a food allergen or shows symptoms of anaphylaxis, he or she may be treated according to the Emergency Care Plan. This plan may be developed from information provided by the student's physician and parent/guardian prior to the student's entry to school, or immediately after the student is diagnosed with a severe allergy. Similar plans may also be developed for staff members with severe allergies.

Individualized Healthcare Plan: A medical plan of care that may be developed by the school nurse in collaboration with the student's health care provider and core team to provide written direction for school personnel to follow in accommodating the student's needs throughout the day. It may address conduct and use of allergen-containing products in the classroom, the cafeteria, the library, at recess, on field trips, during extracurricular activities, and in other environments the student will face during the school day or during District-sponsored activities. The plan may describe functional problem areas, set goals for overcoming problems, list tasks or interventions to meet the goals, and identify staff members responsible for implementing the plan. This plan may be developed prior to the student's entry to school or immediately after the student is diagnosed with a severe or life-threatening allergy. Input from the core team may be sought before changes are made to this plan. Similar plans may also be developed for staff members with severe allergies.

If a student's severe or life-threatening allergy is determined to be a disability, it may also be addressed in a Section 504 Service Agreement and/or in the Related Services Component of their Individualized Education Program (IEP).

A complete set of a student's current medical plans of care related to food allergies may be maintained by the school nurse. The Superintendent or building principal may also require that copies of the Emergency Care Plan be kept in other places where they may be needed.

The school nurse may provide information or copies of the different components of a student's medical plans of care to appropriate personnel, including teachers, cafeteria staff, District staff supervising school-sponsored extracurricular activities, and others who may be involved in the implementation of the medical plans of care. Such information may be provided to substitute teachers along with contact information for the school nurse.

Students with Disabling Special Dietary Needs

When a student's food allergy is identified, evaluated, and determined to be a disabling condition, the District shall make appropriate accommodations, substitutions, or modifications for such students in accordance with the applicable policies relating to students with disabilities.

In such cases, the student may be required to have a written medical statement signed by a licensed physician to be included with the student's Individualized Healthcare Plan. The medical statement may identify:

1. The student's special dietary disability;
2. An explanation of why the disability restricts the student's diet;
3. The major life activity(ies) affected by the disability;
4. The food(s) to be omitted from the student's diet; and
5. The food or choice of foods that must be provided as the substitute.

Students with Non-Disabling Special Dietary Needs

The District may, at its discretion, make appropriate accommodations, substitutions, or modifications for students who have a special dietary need but who do not meet the definition of disability, such as a food intolerance or allergy that does not cause a reaction that meets the definition of a disability. The decision to accommodate such a student shall be made on a case-by-case basis.

Students who fall under this provision may be required to have a written medical statement signed by a physician, physician assistant, or certified registered nurse practitioner identifying the following:

1. The medical or other special dietary condition which restricts the student's diet;
2. The food(s) to be omitted from the student's diet; and
3. The food or choice of foods to be substituted.

Allergy Inservice Training

The District may provide periodic training to teachers, aides, volunteers, substitutes, food service personnel, transportation personnel, and others as needed on any of the following topics:

1. Basic information such as signs, symptoms, and risks associated with food allergy and anaphylaxis;
2. Awareness of food and non-food items that might present risk;

3. Strategies that reduce risk of exposure to identified allergens throughout the school day;
4. Designation and maintenance of allergen-free zones;
5. Basic food handling procedures, including hand washing, avoiding cross-contamination, and cleaning surfaces;
6. District and school level policies, procedures, and plans for managing students with chronic health conditions including allergies;
7. How to respond in the case of a possible severe or life-threatening allergic reaction;
8. Local emergency medical service procedures;
9. Proper storage and administration of epinephrine auto-injectors, antihistamines, and other medications;
10. Strategies to manage student privacy and confidentiality while maintaining an inclusive class environment; and
11. How to deal with food allergy-related bullying.

Epinephrine and Other Medications

Students with severe allergies may be permitted to carry an epinephrine auto-injector with them, in accordance with Policy 3510. A student's epinephrine may also be kept in other locations where it would be easily accessible for the student, such as in their classroom, with a District employee supervising lunch or recess periods, or on their bus. Locations for storage will follow the manufacturer's guidelines. Staff may be notified of the locations of epinephrine in the school. The Superintendent or building principal may require that whenever students are present at a school, at least one person who has been trained to administer an epinephrine auto-injector also be present.

Any student who receives epinephrine at school must be immediately transported to a hospital for evaluation by a licensed healthcare provider and further observation or immediately released into the care and custody of their parent(s)/guardian(s).

The Cafeteria

The Superintendent or building principal may require that cafeteria staff take any of the following steps to accommodate students with severe or life-threatening allergies:

1. Prohibit specific foods;
2. Clean and sanitize kitchen surfaces and equipment to avoid cross contamination with potential food allergens;
3. Wear non-latex gloves, and change or wash gloved hands during extended use to avoid cross-contamination with potential food allergens;
4. Have photos of students with severe or life-threatening allergies placed in the kitchen, only for kitchen staff to view;
5. Make appropriate substitutions or modifications to meals served to students with serious allergies;
6. Be prepared to make food ingredient lists used in food production and service available. Maintain food labels from each food served to a child with allergies for at least 24 hours following service in case the student has a reaction from a food eaten in the cafeteria; and

7. With parental approval, set up cafeteria procedures such as entering a student's allergy into computerized database. Such information would remain confidential and be shared on a need-to-know basis in compliance with federal privacy regulations.

Allergies and the Classroom

The school nurse, teacher, and parents of any children with severe or life-threatening allergies, may set a classroom protocol regarding the management of food in the classroom. This protocol will be communicated by the teacher to the students and parents of the affected class, and may include any of the following accommodations:

1. Parents of students with severe or life-threatening allergies may provide allergen-free snacks to be kept in the classroom and given to the student when treats are served in the classroom;
2. Students, parents, and staff may be prohibited from bringing homemade treats or specified foods for in-class consumption. Only commercially prepared treats with intact ingredient labels may be allowed in class;
3. Teachers may notify parents in writing of any school related activity that requires the use of food in advance of the project or activity;
4. Use of food for instructional lessons may be limited or eliminated;
5. Use of food or candy as part of a school project related to the curriculum may be prohibited; and
6. Allergen-containing foods may be prohibited in classrooms during after-school activities when that classroom will be used by a student with a known food allergy during the school day.

The Superintendent or building principal may require teachers to take any of the following additional steps to accommodate students with severe or life-threatening allergies:

1. Post signs indicating rules for preventing exposure to life-threatening allergens in the classroom and ensure that these rules are enforced;
2. Eliminate the use of food allergens in the allergic student's educational tools, school-provided supplies, and incentives;
3. Participate in planning students' re-entry into school after an anaphylactic reaction; and
4. Send notices to parents of students in the classroom that the classroom is a free zone with regard to a specified food.

Teachers may be required to develop and implement age-appropriate lessons on allergies for such subjects as health, family and consumer sciences, biology, and physical education. Such lessons may emphasize:

1. Support for, and inclusion of, classmates with chronic health conditions, such as food allergies;
2. Bullying prevention, including reporting harassment, hazing, and bullying to school personnel;
3. Knowledge of potential allergens and the symptoms of a potentially life-threatening reaction;
4. Differences between life-threatening allergies and food intolerances;
5. Appropriate response to emergency situations such as life-threatening allergic reactions;
6. Developmentally-appropriate self-management of food allergies; and
7. The importance of following District health policies and guidelines, such as those regarding hand washing, food-sharing, and allergen safe zones.

Transportation

The school bus drivers may be informed when they are transporting a student with a life-threatening allergy. The Superintendent or building principal may require bus drivers to take any of the following additional steps to accommodate students with severe or life-threatening allergies:

1. Strictly enforce a policy of no eating on the bus. Students with medically documented needs may be permitted to eat allergen-safe foods on the bus;
2. Refrain from handing out food treats; and
3. Assign seats to students, and/or seat students with life-threatening allergies immediately behind and to the right side of the bus driver.

The Superintendent or building principal may require the transportation department to send letters to parents of all students who use District transportation informing them that at least one student at the school has a life-threatening allergy, requesting that their child wash their face and hands after breakfast and before boarding the bus, and informing them of rules prohibiting students from eating on the bus.

Field Trips

The Superintendent or building principal may require that those organizing field trips take any of the following steps to accommodate students with severe or life-threatening allergies:

1. Take into consideration the potential for exposure to the student's food allergens when determining sites for field trips, and consider ways of avoiding allergen exposure during the field trip;
2. Notify parents of students with severe or life-threatening allergies and the school nurse as soon as possible of any upcoming field trip;
3. Allow parents of students with severe or life-threatening allergies to accompany the student on field trips;
4. Store meals for students with food allergies separately to minimize cross-contamination;
5. Ensure that students do not eat on the bus;

6. Prepare ways for participants to wash hands before and after eating, such as with hand wipes;
7. Appoint a District employee attending the field trip to implement any student's Emergency Care Plan if necessary, and bring all supplies necessary to do so; and
8. Note the location of closest medical facility ahead of time.

Other Accommodations

The Superintendent or building principal or the designee may require that any of following steps be implemented to accommodate students with severe or life-threatening allergies:

1. Prohibit food and utensil trading and sharing, and post signs in schools informing students that they are expected to neither trade nor share food or utensils;
2. Designate particular tables in the cafeteria, particular classrooms, areas within classrooms, or other areas as allergen-free zones. These zones may be designated by a universal symbol, and be cleaned with a separate wash bucket and cloth with District-approved cleaning agents;
3. Post signs at points of entry to each school and/or on the school or District website advising that there are students with life-threatening allergies. Such signs may not disclose the identity of the student with the food allergy unless his or her parent has consented to that disclosure;
4. Have letters sent to all parents of children attending school with at least one student known to have a life-threatening allergy, notifying them of the severity of the health threat, signs and symptoms to be aware of, and a concise list of foods and materials of concern and school policy regarding them. This will be done in a way that protects the confidentiality of the student with the life-threatening allergy. If other students or parents may be able to guess or deduce which student has the life-threatening allergy, approval of the student's parent may be sought before the letter is sent;
5. Hold Emergency Care Plan drills to assure the efficiency and effectiveness of such plans;
6. Ensure that there is at least one functioning emergency communication device, such as a walkie-talkie or cell phone, available at all times in classrooms, on field trips, at recess, during physical education class, at school-sponsored extracurricular activities, and/or on school buses;
7. Develop a cleaning protocol to ensure that the threat of allergens is minimized;
8. Prohibit the sale of particular food items in the school; and
9. Request that students refrain from bringing foods to which a student is known to have a severe or life-threatening allergy to school, and request that parents refrain from sending such foods to school. A Superintendent or building principal may completely prohibit particular food items from the school or school grounds when it is felt that the benefits of doing so would outweigh

the difficulty of enforcing such a ban and the controversy such a measure is likely to provoke.

Confidentiality

The District will endeavor to maintain the confidentiality of students with food allergies, to the extent appropriate and as requested by the student's parents/guardians. District staff shall maintain the confidentiality of student records as required by law, regulations, and Board policy.

Expectations of Students with Severe or Life-Threatening Allergies and their Parents

The Board expects students with life-threatening allergies to do the following, as age appropriate:

1. Take as much responsibility as possible for avoiding allergens, including refraining from sharing or trading of foods or eating utensils with others, refraining from eating anything with unknown ingredients or a known allergen; avoid putting anything in mouth such as writing utensils, fingers, or other foreign objects;
2. Use proper hand washing before and after eating and throughout the school day;
3. Learn to recognize personal symptoms;
4. Notify an adult immediately if they eat something they believe may contain a food to which they are allergic;
5. Notify an adult if they are being bullied, harassed, hazed, or threatened by other students as it relates to their food allergy;
6. Carry their epinephrine auto-injector with them at all times if they are permitted to do so, or know where the auto-injector is kept and who has access to it;
7. Know how to get to the nurse's office;
8. Develop an awareness of their environment and their allergen-free zones; and
9. Know their overall Individual Healthcare Plan and understand the responsibilities of the plan.

The Board encourages parents of students with serious allergies to do the following:

1. As age appropriate, teach their child to:
 - A. Not share snacks, lunches, drinks, or utensils;
 - B. Know which foods are and are not safe for them to eat, and to read labels, and understand ingredient safety;
 - C. Understand the importance of hand washing before and after eating;
 - D. Recognize the first symptoms of an allergic or anaphylactic reaction;

- E. Communicate with school staff as soon as he or she feels a reaction is starting;
 - F. Understand rules and expectations about bullying related to food allergies, and report such teasing and/or bullying;
 - G. Carry his or her own epinephrine auto-injector when appropriate, or know where the epinephrine auto-injector is kept and who has access to it;
 - H. Administer his or her own epinephrine auto-injector and be able to train others in its use; and
 - I. Develop awareness of their environments, including allergy-controlled zones.
2. Inform the school nurse of their child's allergies prior to the opening of school, or as soon as possible after diagnosis. All food allergies must be verified by documentation from physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant;
 3. Work with the core team collaboratively to develop the Individualized Healthcare Plan, and provide an Emergency Care Plan completed by the student's physician;
 4. Complete and submit all requested and required forms. Provide the school with current cell phone, pager, and other emergency contact numbers;
 5. Allow District health personnel to consult with the student's physician or healthcare provider, and provide current contact information for the healthcare provider;
 6. Provide the school nurse with up-to-date emergency medications so they can be placed in all required locations for the current school year. Parents may be requested to provide two or more epinephrine auto-injectors. Medications must comply with the District medication policy of proper labeling and expiration;
 7. Consider providing a medical alert bracelet for their child;
 8. If requested, provide "safe snacks" for their student's classroom in case of an unplanned special event. Parents may also be asked to provide a nonperishable safe lunch to be kept at school in case the student forgets to bring lunch;
 9. Review policies, procedures, and plans with the core team annually and following any allergic reaction at school; and
 10. Provide the school nurse with at least annual updates on their child's allergy status. Inform the school of any changes in the child's life-threatening allergy status and provide a physician's statement if the student no longer has food allergies.

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Contagious or Infectious Diseases

The District is required to provide educational services to all school age children who reside within its boundaries. Attendance at school may be denied to any child diagnosed as having a contagious or infectious disease that could make the child's attendance harmful to the welfare of other students. In the instance of diseases causing suppressed immunity, attendance may be denied to a child with suppressed immunity in order to protect the welfare of the child with suppressed immunity when others in the school have an infectious disease which, although not normally life threatening, could be life threatening to the child with suppressed immunity.

The Board recognizes that communicable diseases that may afflict students range from common childhood diseases, acute and short-term in nature, to chronic, life-threatening diseases such as human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection. The District shall rely on the advice of the public health and medical communities in assessing the risk of transmission of various communicable diseases to determine how best to protect the health of both students and staff.

Management of common communicable diseases will be in accordance with Idaho Department of Health and Welfare guidelines and communicable diseases control rules. A student who exhibits symptoms of a communicable disease that is readily transmitted in the school setting may be temporarily excluded from school attendance.

Students who complain of illness at school may be referred to the school nurse or other responsible person designated by the Board and may be sent home as soon as the parent or person designated on the student's emergency medical authorization form has been notified.

The District reserves the right to require a statement from the student's primary care provider authorizing the student's return to school. In all proceedings related to this policy, the District shall respect the student's right to privacy.

When information is received by a staff member or volunteer that a student is afflicted with a serious communicable disease, the staff member or volunteer shall promptly notify the school nurse or other responsible person designated by the Board to determine appropriate measures to protect student and staff health and safety. The school nurse or other responsible person designated by the Board, after consultation with and on the advice of public health officials, shall determine which additional staff members, if any, have need to know of the affected student's condition.

Only those persons with direct responsibility for the care of the student or for determining appropriate educational accommodation will be informed of the specific nature of the condition, if it is determined there is a need for such individuals to know this information.

Parents of other children attending the school may be notified that their child has been exposed to a communicable disease without identifying the particular student who has the disease.

Pediculosis (Head Lice)

Pediculosis is the infestation of the hair, skin, or pubic area with adult lice, larvae, or nits (eggs).

The psychological, social, and economic impact of head lice infestations can create a problem in the community. Every attempt will be made to educate students and parents on the prevention and eradication of head lice before and after an infestation is detected.

To avoid embarrassment and to contain the infestation, whole classrooms will be checked for head lice upon the report of possible infestation by a classroom teacher. The principal, his or her designee, school nurse, or another qualified professional will examine the child in question and their classmates. Siblings of students found with lice and their classmates will also be checked if there is the suspicion that infestation may exist. Due to the possible and very probable epidemic infestation of head lice in the school environment, anyone exhibiting head lice will be isolated immediately.

Any student found to have head lice will be removed from the classroom with their belongings. The parent/guardian and/or listed emergency contact will be contacted so they can pick up the student and begin treatment immediately. A student suspected of infestation will not ride the bus. The student will be held in the front office or the nurse's office until the parent/guardian arrives in order to avoid further infestation.

Parents/guardians should be provided with printed educational information on head lice treatment. The educational material should include details explaining the problem, and list the procedures for treatment and requirements for reentering school.

The student may return to school after being successfully treated so that no live lice or eggs are detected by the school nurse or a designated school official. The student's parent/guardian must accompany the student upon returning to school and remain present during the recheck. With the presence of nits or lice at the time of recheck, the student will continue to be excluded from school.

In the interest of the health and welfare of students enrolled in the District, no student will be permitted to attend classes if they are infested with head lice or the eggs of head lice.

All other children in the classroom where lice or nits have been reported will be checked and given a letter to take home explaining the situation and the need for parents to inspect their children carefully. Any child who is suspected of having lice will be treated with the utmost discretion.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-512 Governance of Schools

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Immunization Requirements

The District is required to provide educational services to all school age children who reside within its boundaries. Attendance at school may be denied to any child who does not provide an immunization record to the school regarding the child's immunity to certain childhood diseases. Immunity requirements are met if the child has received or is in the process of receiving immunization as specified by the Board of Health and Welfare or has previously contracted the disease. The parent or legal guardian of the child must comply with the immunization requirements at the time of admission and before attendance for the child.

Summary of Immunization Requirements			
Immunization Requirement	Child born after September 1, 2005	Child born after September 1, 1999 through September 1, 2005	Child born on or before September 1, 1999
Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR)	2 doses	2 doses	1 dose
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis	5 doses	5 doses	4 doses
Polio	4 doses	3 doses	3 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses	3 doses	3 doses
Hepatitis A	2 doses	0 doses	0 doses
Varicella	2 doses	0 doses	0 doses

Summary of Seventh Grade Immunization Requirements		
Immunization Requirement	Child admitted to 7th grade prior to the 2011-2012 school year	Child admitted to the 7th grade during the 2011-2012 school year and each year thereafter
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis	0 doses	1 dose
Meningococcal	0 doses	1 dose

Immunization Certification

The immunization record must be signed by a physician, physician's representative, or another licensed health care professional including an osteopath, nurse practitioner, physician's assistant,

licensed professional nurse, registered nurse, and pharmacist stating the type, number, and dates of the immunizations received.

Intended Immunization Schedule

The schedule of intended immunizations statement must be provided by the parent or legal guardian of a child who is in the process of receiving or has been scheduled to receive the required immunizations. A form is provided by the Department of Health and Welfare or a similar one may be used provided it includes the following information:

1. Name and date of birth of child;
2. School and grade child is enrolling in and attending;
3. Types, numbers, and dates of immunizations to be administered;
4. Signature of the parent, custodian, or legal guardian; and
5. Signature of a licensed health care professional providing care to the child.

Children admitted to school and failing to continue the schedule of intended immunizations will be excluded from school until documentation of administration of the required immunizations is provided by the child's parent, custodian, or legal guardian.

Exemptions

1. Any child whose parent/guardian submits a certificate signed by a physician licensed by the State Board of Medicine stating the physical condition of the child is such that all or any of the required immunization would endanger the life or health of the child is exempt from the immunization requirements;
2. Any minor child whose parent or guardian submits a signed statement to school officials stating their objections on religious or other grounds is exempt from the immunization requirements. The parent or guardian can use a form provided by the District or submit a written, signed statement that the District will attach to the form; and;
3. A child who has laboratory proof of immunity to any of the childhood diseases listed above will not be required to be immunized for that disease; and
4. A child who has had varicella (chickenpox) diagnosed by a licensed physician upon personal examination will not be required to be immunized for the disease provided they submit a signed statement from the diagnosing physician.

A child exempted under one of the above requirements may be excluded by the District in the event of a disease outbreak.

Reporting

The District shall submit a report of each school's immunization status to the State Department of Education on or before the first day of November of each year. The report shall include:

1. Inclusive dates of the reporting period;
2. Name and address of the school, District, and county;
3. Grade being reported and total number of children enrolled in the grade;
4. Name and title of the person completing the report form;
5. Number of children who meet all of the required immunizations listed in the tables above;
6. Number of children who do not meet all of the required immunizations listed in the tables above, but are in the process of receiving the required immunizations; and
7. Number of children who claimed exemption to the required immunizations listed in the tables above.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 39-4801 Immunization Required
I.C. § 39-4802 Exemptions
IDAPA 16.02.15 Immunization Requirements for Idaho School Children

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Suicide

Although neither a school district nor a teacher has a duty to warn of the suicidal tendencies of a student absent the teacher's or school district's knowledge of direct evidence of such suicidal tendencies, the District may, at its sole discretion, provide the following programs in order to prevent adolescent suicide by:

1. Offering and providing help and assistance including early identification;
2. Support and/or counseling by school support personnel for low-risk students;
3. Referral to appropriate sources outside the school for high and moderate-risk students;
4. Attendance to the rights of the student and his or her family; and
5. After care support by the school for faculty, staff, and students after a sudden death has occurred.

Legal Reference:

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Emergency Treatment

The Board recognizes that schools are responsible for providing first aid or emergency treatment in case of sudden illness or injury to a student, but that further medical attention is the responsibility of the parent or guardian.

Each parent or guardian must provide an emergency telephone number where the parent or designee of the parent can be reached.

When a student is injured, staff shall provide immediate care and attention until relieved by a superior, a nurse, or a doctor. The principal or designated staff member should immediately contact the parent so that the parent can arrange for care or treatment of the injured student.

If a child develops symptoms of illness while at school, the responsible school officials shall do the following:

1. Isolate the child immediately from other children in a room or area segregated for that purpose;
2. Inform the parent or guardian as soon as possible about the illness and request that he or she pick up the child; and
3. Report each case of suspected communicable disease the same day by telephone to the local health authority, or as soon as possible thereafter if no contact can be made the same day.

In the event that the parent cannot be reached and in the judgment of the principal or person in charge immediate medical attention is required, the injured student may be taken directly to the hospital and treated by the physician on call. When the parent is located, he or she may elect to continue the treatment or make other arrangements.

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Student Interviews, Interrogations, or Arrests

Interviews by School Administrators (Student Victims/Witnesses)

When a violation of Board policy or school rule occurs, the school principal or designee may question a potential student victim or students who may have relevant information without prior consent of the parent, guardian, or legal custodian. Another adult should be present during the questioning of students.

Interrogations by School Administrators (Student Suspect)

In situations where a student is suspected of violating Board policy or school rule, the principal or designee may interrogate the suspected student without the prior consent of the student's parent/guardian or legal custodian. The school official must first have reasonable grounds, however, to suspect that the student committed such a violation. The nature and extent of the questioning must be reasonably related to the objectives of the questioning. If the student denies any involvement or culpability, the student will be afforded the opportunity to present his or her side of the story, orally or in writing.

Interviews and Interrogations by Law Enforcement Officials (School-Related Violation)

When a suspected violation of criminal law has occurred on school grounds, at a school sponsored activity, or an activity involving school operations, law enforcement officers may be notified by school officials to request a criminal investigation. Law enforcement officers may also independently determine that an investigation requiring student interviews and interrogations is necessary. When law enforcement officers question a student victim, witness, or suspect in such instances, school officials shall make an effort to notify the student's parent/guardian or legal custodian in advance of the interview or interrogation.

When students are interviewed or interrogated by law enforcement officers, the principal or designee shall request that police officers observe all procedural safeguards prescribed by law. However, District personnel are not responsible for a police officer's compliance with the law. If a parent or student refuses to consent to police questioning, it is the law enforcement officer's responsibility to respond appropriately to such refusal.

School discipline investigations conducted by school administrators and criminal investigations conducted by law enforcement officers shall be conducted in a parallel manner rather than as a joint investigation. Therefore, a school discipline investigation need not stop as soon as the school administrator believes that a crime has been committed. The results of the parallel investigations may be shared among school officials and the police.

Interviews and Interrogations by Law Enforcement Officers (Non-School-Related Violation)

The District strives to maintain cooperative working relations between law enforcement, child protective authorities, and school authorities. Law enforcement officers may wish to interview students regarding their knowledge of suspected criminal activity and may wish to interrogate students who are themselves suspected of engaging in criminal activity. Except when law enforcement officers have a warrant or other court order, or when emergency or other exigent circumstances exist, such interviews and interrogations are discouraged during the student's class time. The principal and principal's designee have the right and the obligation to take reasonable steps to prevent disruption of school operations and the educational process while at the same time cooperating with law enforcement efforts. Accordingly, the principal or designee shall work together with law enforcement officers to coordinate efforts and minimize or prevent such disruption in cases of student interviews and interrogations. In the event of disagreement, the principal or designee shall immediately contact the area administrator or District legal counsel for assistance.

Before any student interview or interrogation begins regarding suspected criminal activity, the principal or designee shall ascertain that the law enforcement officer has proper identification evidencing affiliation with an identified law enforcement agency. The principal or designee shall request that all procedural safeguards prescribed by law are observed by the law enforcement officers when interviewing student witnesses or interrogating student suspects. An effort shall be made to notify the student's parent/guardian or legal custodian in advance of the interview or interrogation regarding suspected criminal activity. Whether or not to postpone the interview or interrogation until the parent arrives is ultimately the law enforcement officer's decision. **In cases involving investigation of reported child abuse of a student where the suspected perpetrator is a member of the student's family, such parent/guardian contact would not be warranted. The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare or law enforcement may exclude school personnel from any child abuse investigations/interviews and may use a school building to conduct the interview.**

Arrests by Law Enforcement Officers

A law enforcement officer may take a student into custody if the student has been placed under arrest or if the student's parent/guardian or legal custodian and the student consent to such release. The officer must first notify the principal or designee so that the student may be summoned to the principal's office and taken into custody in a manner that is as inconspicuous as possible and minimizes disruption of school operations and the educational process. When an emergency situation arises and the student is taken into custody or arrested on school premises without prior notification to the principal or designee, the law enforcement officer should notify school authorities of the situation as soon as possible.

When a student is removed from school by law enforcement officers for any reason, school officials will make every reasonable effort to notify the student's parent/guardian or legal custodian. The school official will document such effort in writing. Before removing the student from school, the police shall sign a release form in which they assume full responsibility for the

student. If a school official has reason to believe that a student was removed from the school by a law enforcement officer without making a valid arrest or without the consent of the student and the parent/guardian or legal custodian, the school official will attempt to immediately contact the area administrator or legal counsel.

School officials will notify the appropriate area administrator of the removal of any student from school by law enforcement under any circumstance. School officials shall request that all procedural safeguards prescribed by law are observed by law enforcement officers conducting an arrest. District personnel are not, however, responsible for an officer's legal compliance with respect to said arrest.

Definitions

“Interview” means the questioning of a student who may be a witness or victim of an incident.

“Interrogation” means the questioning of a student suspected of violating District policy, school rule, or criminal law.

“Reasonable Grounds to Suspect” means more than a generalized suspicion or a mere hunch, but not requiring certainty that a violation has occurred. For example, it may be based upon, among other things, direct observations or the reported observations or experiences of others. It involves a common-sense conclusion about human behavior based upon all of the circumstances presented.

“Probable Cause” means set of probabilities grounded in factual and practical considerations, which would cause a reasonable person to believe that a violation has occurred. It requires having more evidence for than against.

Cross Reference: 4400 Relations with Law Enforcement and Child Protective Agencies
 4410 Investigations and Arrests by Police
 5260 Abused and Neglected Child Reporting

Legal Reference: I.C. § 6-904(1) Exceptions to Governmental Liability
 I.C. § 16-1605 Reporting of Abuse, Abandonment or Neglect
 I.C. § 16-1606 Immunity
 I.C. § 16-1607 Reporting in Bad Faith—Civil Penalties
 I.C. § 16-1631 Authorization for Department to Act
 I.C. § 20-516 Apprehension and Release of Juvenile—Detention
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Student Arrest Form

Form for Signature of Arresting Officer

I, _____, a duly sworn peace officer and member of the
_____ Department, _____
Division, have asked that _____, a student in the
_____ School, be surrendered to me,
and pursuant thereto have taken said student into my custody and am assuming full responsibility
for the student's arrest.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Time: _____ Badge Number: _____

School Action

Date and time parents notified. If more than one attempt is made, include such information here:

Signature of Administrator

One copy each shall be made for:

1. *School records;*
2. *Parent mailing;*
3. *The police officer; and*
4. *The witnessing administrator*

Joint School District No. 171

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Student Interview Form

Form for Signature of Interviewing Officer

I, _____, a duly sworn peace officer and member of the
_____ Department, _____,
have asked that _____, a student in the
_____ School, be made available for
interview

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Time: _____ Badge Number: _____

School Action

Date and time parents notified. If more than one attempt is made, include such information here:

Signature of Administrator

One copy each shall be made for:

1. *School records;*
2. *Parent mailing;*
3. *The police officer; and*
4. *The witnessing administrator*

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Removal of Student During School Hours

The Board recognizes its responsibility for the proper care of students during school hours. Students shall not be removed from school grounds, any school building, or school function during school hours except by a person duly authorized in accordance with District procedures. Before a student is removed or excused, the person seeking to remove the student must present, to the satisfaction of the principal, evidence of his or her proper authority to remove the student. A teacher should not excuse a student from class to confer with anyone unless the request is approved by the principal. The Superintendent is directed to establish procedures for the removal of a student during school hours.

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Removal of Student During School Day

Schools must exercise a high order of responsibility for the care of students while in school. The removal of a student during the school day may be authorized in accordance with the following procedures:

1. Law enforcement officers, upon proper identification, may remove a student from school as provided in Policy 4410P;
2. Any other agencies must have a written administrative or court order directing the District to give custody to them. Proper identification is required before the student shall be released;
3. A student shall be released to the custodial parent. When in doubt as to custodial rights, school enrollment records must be relied upon, as the parents/guardians have the burden of furnishing schools with accurate, up-to-date information;
4. The school should always check with the custodial parent before releasing the student to a non-custodial parent;
5. Prior written authorization from the custodial parent or guardian is required before releasing a student into someone else's custody, unless an emergency situation justifies a waiver; and
6. Police should be called if a visitor becomes disruptive or abusive.

Cross Reference: 4400

Relations with the Law Enforcement and Child Protective
Agencies

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Video Surveillance

The Board believes that the use of video taping equipment can make positive contributions to the health, safety, and welfare of all students, staff, and visitors to the District, as well as safeguard District facilities and equipment. Having carefully weighed and balanced the rights of privacy of students, staff, and visitors against the District's goal of ensuring the safety of every student, employee, and visitor while they are on District property and also the goal of safeguarding District facilities and equipment, the Board hereby authorizes the use of video cameras on District property as follows:

Video surveillance shall be used to promote order, to maintain the security, health, welfare, and safety of all staff, students, and visitors on District property, and to safeguard District facilities and equipment.

The District shall notify staff and students through student/parent and staff handbooks that video surveillance may occur on District property. Additionally, notices shall be posted on or about School District property alerting those on District property that the District is utilizing video surveillance.

Review of any video recordings is restricted to those who have a security, safety, or a legitimate educational interest.

Video recordings may become a part of a student's educational record or a staff member's personnel record. The District shall comply with all applicable State and federal laws related to record maintenance and retention. Video tapes that are records of student and/or staff behavior shall be secured in a locked file until the tapes are either reused or erased. The video tape shall be considered a student and/or staff record and shall be subject to current law for the release of student record information and/or personnel record.

Video surveillance may be used for investigations of criminal activity by appropriate law enforcement agencies and may be used by the District to investigate violations of District policy.

Students or staff in violation of Board policies, administrative regulations, building rules, or law shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action. Others may be referred to law enforcement agencies.

Video cameras may be installed in public locations as deemed appropriate by the Superintendent, and shall not be installed in areas with a reasonable expectation of privacy.

Audio shall not be part of the video recordings made, reviewed, or stored by the District.

Cross-Reference: 3570

Student Records

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-512

Governance of Schools

Books v. Logan, 127 Idaho 484, 903 P.2d 73 (1995); Rife v. Long, 127 Idaho 841, 908 p.2d 143 (1995).

I.C. § 18-6701 et. seq. Communications Security

34 C.F.R. Part 99 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

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Termination of Driving Privileges

In the event an enrolled student fails to meet the State enrollment and attendance requirements, the school principal or designee will provide written notification on a form provided by the Idaho Department of Education to the student and parent/guardian of the District's intent to request that the Idaho Department of Transportation suspend the student's driving privileges, because the student has dropped out of school (and has not otherwise enrolled in another public/private school, home schooling educational program, course of preparation for the GED, a college or university, a post-secondary vocational program, or job training program or other educational activity approved by the Board) or has failed to comply with the enrollment and attendance requirements found in Idaho Code.

The student and parent/guardian will have 15 calendar days from the date of receipt of the above-mentioned notice to request a hearing before the school principal or designee for the purpose of reviewing the pending suspension of driving privileges. The requested hearing will be held within 30 calendar days after the receipt of the request.

The school principal or designee may grant a hardship waiver of the requirements of this policy for any student for whom a personal or family hardship requires that the student have a driver's license for his or her own or family member's employment or medical care. The principal or designee will take into account the recommendations of teachers, other school officials, guidance counselors, or academic advisors prior to granting a waiver. Such a hardship waiver must be requested by the student or the student's parent/guardian at the initial hearing.

If the principal or designee, denies a hardship waiver, that decision may be appealed to the Board within seven calendar days of receipt of the principal's or designee's decision. The hearing before the Board will be held at a mutually convenient time. The Board will have the authority to uphold the decision of the principal or designee, or reverse the decision and grant the hardship waiver.

Cross-Reference: 2325

Driver's Education

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-211

Students' Drivers' Licenses

I.C. § 49-110

Definitions

I.C. § 49-303

What Persons Shall Not Be Licensed

I.C. § 49-303A

Driver's License or Permits Issued to Certain Persons
Under the Age of Eighteen Years

I.C. § 49-305

Instruction Permits—Temporary Licenses—Motorcycle
Endorsement Instruction Permit

I.C. § 49-310

Applications of Persons Under the Age of Eighteen Years

I.C. § 49-326

Authority of Department to Suspend, Disqualify or Revoke
Driver's License and Privileges

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Student Records

School student records are confidential, and information from them shall not be released other than as provided by law. Federal and state laws grant certain rights to parents and students, including the right to inspect, copy, and challenge school records. The information contained in school student records shall be kept current, accurate, clear, and relevant. All information maintained concerning a student receiving special education services shall be directly related to the provision of services to that child. The District may release directory information as permitted by law, but parents shall have the right to object to the release of information regarding their child. Military recruiters and institutions of higher education may request and receive the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all high school students, unless the parent(s) notifies the school not to release this information.

The Superintendent shall implement this policy consistent with State and federal law and may develop administrative procedures to assure compliance with State and federal law. The Superintendent or a designee shall inform staff members of this policy, and shall inform students and their parents of it, as well as their rights regarding student school records.

Cross Reference: 3575 Student Data Privacy and Security
 4260 Records Available to the Public

Legal Reference: 20 U.S.C. § 1232g Family Education Rights and Privacy Act
 34 C.F.R. 99 Family Education Rights and Privacy Act
 I.C. 33-133 Student Data – Use and Limitations
 I.C. § 33-209 Transfer of Student Records -- Duties
 I.C. § 32-717A Parents' Access to Records and Information
 No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, P.L. 107-334

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Student Records

Notification to Parents' and Student's of Rights Concerning a Student's School Records

This notification will be distributed annually, and may be distributed by any means likely to reach the parent(s)/guardian(s). The District shall effectively notify parents and eligible students who are disabled and those whose primary or home language is not English.

The District will maintain a file for each student that shall contain information, including but not limited to the following:

1. Unique student identifier;
2. Basic identifying information;
3. Academic transcripts;
4. Attendance record;
5. Immunization records;
6. Intelligence and aptitude scores;
7. Psychological reports;
8. Achievement test results;
9. Participation in extracurricular activities;
10. Honors and awards;
11. Teacher anecdotal records;
12. Special education files;
13. Verified reports or information from non-educational persons;
14. Verified information of clear relevance to the student's education;
15. Information pertaining to release of this record; and
16. Disciplinary information.

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents/guardians and students over 18 years of age ("eligible students") certain rights with respect to the student's education records. They are:

1. **The right to inspect and copy the student's education records within a reasonable time of the day the District receives a request for access.**

Students less than 18 years of age have the right to inspect and copy their permanent record. Parents/guardians or students should submit to the school principal (or appropriate school official) a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The

principal will make arrangements for access and notify the parent(s)/ guardian(s) or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.

The District charges a nominal fee for copying, but no one will be denied their right to copies of their records for inability to pay this cost.

The rights contained in this section are denied to any person against whom an order of protection has been entered concerning a student.

When the student reaches 18 years of age, or is attending an institution of post secondary education, all rights and privileges accorded to the parent become exclusively those of the student.

2. **The right to request an amendment of the student's education records that the parent(s)/guardian(s) or eligible student believes is inaccurate, misleading, irrelevant, or improper.**

Parents/guardians or eligible students may ask the District to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate, misleading, irrelevant, or improper. They should write the school principal or records custodian, clearly identifying the part of the record they want changed, and specify the reason.

If the District decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent(s)/guardian(s) or eligible student, the District will notify the parent(s)/guardian(s) or eligible student of the decision and advise him or her of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Such notice shall be in writing and provided within a reasonable period of time after the hearing. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent(s)/guardian(s) or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.

3. **The right to permit disclosure of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA or State law authorizes disclosure without consent.**

Disclosure is permitted without consent to school officials with legitimate educational or administrative interests. A school official is a person employed by the District as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the Board; a person or company with whom the District has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent(s)/guardian(s) or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks.

A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.

Upon request, the District discloses education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student has enrolled or intends to enroll, as well as to any person as specifically required by State or federal law. Before information is released to individuals described in this paragraph, the parent(s)/guardian(s) will receive written notice of the nature and substance of the information and an opportunity to inspect, copy, and challenge such records. The right to challenge school student records does not apply to:

- A. Academic grades of their child; or
- B. references to expulsions or out-of-school suspensions,

if the challenge is made at the time the student's school student records are forwarded to another school to which the student is transferring.

Disclosure is also permitted without consent to: any person for research, statistical reporting, or planning, provided that no student or parent(s)/guardian(s) can be identified; any person named in a court order; and appropriate persons if the knowledge of such information is necessary to protect the health or safety of the student or other persons.

- 4. **The right to a copy of any school student record proposed to be destroyed or deleted.**
- 5. **The right to prohibit the release of directory information concerning the parent's/guardian's child.**

Throughout the school year, the District may release directory information regarding students, limited to:

- A. Name;
- B. Address;
- C. Gender;
- D. Grade level;
- E. Birth date and place;
- F. Parents'/guardians' names and addresses;
- G. Academic awards, degrees, and honors;
- H. Information in relation to school-sponsored activities, organizations, and athletics;
- I. Major field of study; and
- J. Period of attendance in school.

Any parent(s)/guardian(s) or eligible student may prohibit the release of any or all of the above information by delivering a written objection to the building principal within 30 days of the date of this notice. No directory information will be released within this time period, unless the parent(s)/guardian(s) or eligible student is specifically informed otherwise.

6. **The right to request that that information not be released to military recruiters and/or institutions of higher education.**

Pursuant to federal law, the District is required to release the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all high school students to military recruiters and institutions of higher education upon request.

Parent(s)/guardian(s) or eligible students may request that the District not release this information, and the District will comply with the request.

7. **The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the District to comply with the requirements of FERPA.**

The name and address of the office that administers FERPA is:

Family Policy Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202-4605

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Student Records

Maintenance of School Student Records

The District shall maintain a record for each student that shall contain information, including but not limited to the following:

1. Birth certificate;
2. Proof of residency;
3. Unique student identifier;
4. Basic identifying information;
5. Academic transcripts;
6. Immunization records;
7. Attendance records;
8. Intelligence and aptitude scores;
9. Psychological reports;
10. Achievement test results;
11. Participation in extracurricular activities;
12. Honors and awards;
13. Verified reports or information from non-educational persons;
14. Verified information of clear relevance to the student's education;
15. Log pertaining to release of student's record; and
16. Disciplinary information.

Information in student files shall be maintained for a period of six years after a student graduates or permanently leaves the District, except for those records for which longer retention is required.

Records for a special education student with disabilities who graduates or permanently withdraws from the District, including eligibility documentation, IEPs, consents, and written notices will, for at least six years, be maintained until such time or when the District has been given written consent from the parent(s) and/or adult former student to destroy the records or transfer the records to the parent(s) or to the student if the student has succeeded to the rights of the parents. Such written records of individual students are confidential and shall be shredded under supervision of the staff member responsible for the records if not released to the parent(s) and/or adult former student. The records manager should maintain a log that documents the date of destruction or release of records.

The Superintendent's designee shall be responsible for the maintenance, retention, or destruction of a student's records, in accordance with the District's procedure established by the Superintendent.

The unique student identifier is a number issued and assigned by the State Department of Education to each student currently enrolled or who will be enrolled. The unique student identifier shall follow the student from each school district or local educational agency (LEA) or upon return to a school district or LEA after an absence no matter the length of absence.

Access to Student Records

The District shall grant access to student records as follows:

1. The District or any District employee shall not release, disclose, or grant access to information found in any student record except under the conditions set forth in this policy and consistent with the provisions of State and federal law.
2. The parents of a student under 18 years of age shall be entitled to inspect and copy information in the child's school records. Such requests shall be made in writing and directed to the records custodian. Access to the records shall be granted within 15 days of the District's receipt of such a request.

Where the parents are divorced or separated, both shall be permitted to inspect and copy the student's school records unless a court order indicates otherwise. The District shall send copies of the following to both parents at either one's request, unless a court order indicates otherwise or parental rights have been terminated by court order or parental agreement:

- A. Academic progress reports or records;
- B. Health reports;
- C. Notices of parent-teacher conferences;
- D. School calendars distributed to parents/guardians; and
- E. Notices about open houses and other major school events, including pupil-parent interaction.

When the student reaches 18 years of age, graduates from high school, marries, enters military service, or becomes legally emancipated all rights and privileges accorded to the parent become exclusively those of the student. The parents of dependent students, as defined by the Internal Revenue Service (i.e. student termed dependent for income tax purposes) may have access to student educational records if the parents establish, via either a copy of the applicable tax forms and/or a Parental Affidavit for Educational Records attesting to the student's dependent status.

Access shall not be granted to the parent or the student to confidential letters and recommendations concerning the admission to a post-secondary educational institution, applications for employment, or the receipt of an honor or award, if the student has waived his or her right of access, after being advised of his or her right to obtain the names of all persons making such confidential letters or statements.

3. The District may grant access to, or release information from, student records to employees or officials of the District or the Idaho State Board of Education, provided a current, demonstrable, educational or administrative need is shown, without parental consent or notification. Access in such cases shall be limited to the satisfaction of that need.
4. For purposes of an audit or evaluation by a federal or State-supported education program, and to comply with federal requirements related to such a program. The receiving entity must be a State or educational authority or another entity allowed by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), or must be an authorized representative of such an entity.

For each new audit, evaluation, or enforcement effort, the District shall enter into a written agreement when designating anyone other than its employee as its authorized representative. The District shall be responsible for using reasonable methods to ensure, to the greatest extent practicable, that the authorized representative

- A. Uses the personal information only for the authorized purpose;
 - B. Protects the personal information from further unauthorized disclosures or other uses; and
 - C. Destroys the personal information when it is no longer needed for the authorized purpose. Such destruction shall be effected by any specified time period set forth in the written agreement.
5. The District may grant access to, or release information from, student records without parental consent or notification to any person, for the purpose of research, statistical reporting, or planning, provided that no student or parent can be identified from the information released, and the person to whom the information is released signs an affidavit agreeing to comply with all applicable statutes and rules pertaining to school student records. Any such release in this regard shall be consistent with Idaho Code and Policy 3575 relating to the limitations on the release of student data.
6. The District shall grant access to, or release information from, a student's records pursuant to a court order or appropriate subpoena. In most instances, the parent/qualified student shall be given prompt written notice of such order/subpoena, a general statement of the documents which will be released, and the proposed date of release of the documentation requested. However, there are very limited circumstances under the USA Patriot Act where schools are required to disclose information without notice to the parent or student to the Attorney General of the United States upon an ex parte order in connection with the investigation or prosecution of terrorism crimes or other such specified situations when the court order prohibits disclosure (i.e. Federal Grand Jury Subpoena or Law Enforcement Subpoena wherein such order indicates disclosure is not permitted).

7. The District shall grant access to or release information from any student record as specifically required by federal or State statute.
8. The District shall grant access to, or release information from, student records to any person possessing a written, dated consent, signed by the parent or eligible student with particularity as to whom the records may be released, the information or record to be released, and the reason for the release. One copy of the consent form will be kept in the records, and one copy shall be mailed to the parent or eligible student by the Superintendent. Whenever the District requests the consent to release certain records, the records custodian shall inform the parent or eligible student of the right to limit such consent to specific portions of information in the records.
9. The District may release student records to the Superintendent or an official with similar responsibilities in a school in which the student has enrolled or intends to enroll, upon written request from such official.
10. Prior to the release of any records or information under items 6, 7, 8, and 9 above, the District shall provide prompt written notice to the parents or eligible student of this intended action except as specified in item 6. This notification shall include a statement concerning the nature and substance of the records to be released and the right to inspect, copy, and challenge the contents.
11. The District may release student records or information in connection with an emergency, without parental consent, if the knowledge of such information is necessary to protect the health or safety of the student or other persons. The records custodian shall make this decision taking into consideration the nature of the emergency, the seriousness of the threat to the health and safety of the student or other persons, the need for such records to meet the emergency, and whether the persons to whom such records are released are in a position to deal with the emergency. Any release that is made must be narrowly tailored considering the immediacy, magnitude, and specificity of the information concerning the emergency and the information should only be released to those persons whose knowledge of the information is necessary to provide immediate protection of the health and safety of the student or other individuals (i.e. law enforcement, public health officials, trained medical personnel). The exception is temporarily limited to the period of the emergency and does not allow for a blanket release of personally identifiable information from a student's records. The District shall notify the parents or eligible student as soon as possible of the information released; the date of the release; the person, agency, or organization to which the release was made; and the purpose of the release and the same information shall be recorded in the student's record log.
12. The District will comply with an *ex parte* order requiring it to permit the U.S. Attorney General or designee to have access to a student's school records without notice to or consent of the student's parent(s)/guardian(s).

13. The District may charge a fee for copying information in the student's records. No parent or student shall be precluded from copying information because of financial hardship. See Policy 4260 for information regarding the District copy fee schedule.
14. A log of all releases of information from student records, including all instances of access granted, whether or not records were copied, shall be kept and maintained as part of such records. This log shall be maintained for the life of the student record and shall be accessible only to the parent or eligible student, records custodian, or other such person. The log of release shall include:
 - A. Information released or made accessible;
 - B. The name and signature of the records custodian;
 - C. The name and position of the person requesting the release or access;
 - D. The legitimate interests the parties had in requesting or obtaining the information;
 - E. The date of the release or grant of access;
 - F. A copy of any consent to such release; and
 - G. Any additional information required by State or federal law.

Directory Information

The District may release certain directory information regarding students, except that parents may prohibit such a release. Directory information shall be limited to:

1. Name;
2. Address;
3. Gender;
4. Grade level;
5. Birth date and place;
6. Parents'/guardians' names and addresses;
7. Academic awards, degrees, and honors;
8. Information in relation to school-sponsored activities, organizations, and athletics;
9. Major field of study; and
10. Period of attendance in school.

The notification to parents and students concerning school records will inform them of their right to object to the release of directory information.

Military Recruiters/Institutions of Higher Education

Pursuant to federal law, the District is required to release the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all high school students to military recruiters and institutions of higher education upon request. The notification to parents and students concerning school records will inform them of their right to object to the release of this information.

Student Record Challenges

The parents may challenge the accuracy, relevancy, or propriety of the records, except for grades, and references to expulsions or out-of-school suspensions, if the challenge is made when the student's school records are being forwarded to another school. They have the right to request a hearing at which each party has:

1. The right to present evidence and to call witnesses;
2. The right to cross-examine witnesses;
3. The right to counsel;
4. The right to a written statement of any decision and the reasons therefore; and
5. The right to appeal an adverse decision to an administrative tribunal or official, to be established or designated by the State Board.

The parents may insert a written statement of reasonable length describing their position on disputed information. The school will include a statement in any release of the information in dispute.

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Student Data Privacy and Security

The efficient collection, analysis, and storage of student information is essential to improve the education of our students. As the use of student data has increased and technology has advanced, the need to exercise care in the handling of confidential student information has intensified. The privacy of students and the use of confidential student information is protected by federal and State laws, including the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Idaho Student Data Accessibility, Transparency, and Accountability Act of 2014 (Idaho Data Accountability Act).

Student information is compiled and used to evaluate and improve Idaho's educational system and improve transitions from high school to postsecondary education or the workforce. The Data Management Council (DMC) was established by the Idaho State Board of Education to make recommendations on the proper collection, protection, storage, and use of confidential student information stored within the Statewide Longitudinal Data System (SLDS). The DMC includes representatives from K-12, higher education institutions and the Department of Labor.

This model policy is required by the Idaho Data Accountability Act. In order to ensure the proper protection of confidential student information, the District shall adopt, implement and electronically post this policy to its website. It is intended to provide guidance regarding the collection, access, security, and use of education data to protect student privacy. This policy is consistent with the DMC's policies regarding the access, security, and use of data maintained within the SLDS. Violation of the Idaho Data Accountability Act may result in civil penalties.

Definitions

Administrative Security consists of policies, procedures, and personnel controls including security policies, training, and audits, technical training, supervision, separation of duties, rotation of duties, recruiting and termination procedures, user access control, background checks, performance evaluations, and disaster recovery, contingency, and emergency plans. These measures ensure that authorized users know and understand how to properly use the system in order to maintain security of data.

Aggregate Data is collected or reported at a group, cohort, or institutional level and does not contain PII.

Data Breach is the unauthorized acquisition of PII.

Logical Security consists of software safeguards for an organization's systems, including user identification and password access, authenticating, access rights, and authority levels. These

measures ensure that only authorized users are able to perform actions or access information in a network or a workstation.

Personally Identifiable Information (PII) includes: a student's name; the name of a student's family; the student's address; the students' social security number; a student education unique identification number or biometric record; or other indirect identifiers such as a student's date of birth, place of birth or mother's maiden name; and other information that alone or in combination is linked or linkable to a specific student that would allow a reasonable person in the school community who does not have personal knowledge of the relevant circumstances, to identify the student.

Physical Security describes security measures designed to deny unauthorized access to facilities or equipment.

Student Data means data collected at the student level and included in a student's educational records.

Unauthorized Data Disclosure is the intentional or unintentional release of PII to an unauthorized person or untrusted environment.

Collection

The District shall follow applicable State and federal laws related to student privacy in the collection of student data.

Access

Unless prohibited by law or court order, the District shall provide parents, legal guardians, or eligible students, as applicable, the ability to review their child's educational records.

The Superintendent or designee, is responsible for granting, removing, and reviewing user access to student data. An annual review of existing access shall be performed.

Access to PII maintained by the District shall be restricted to:

1. The authorized staff of the District who require access to perform their assigned duties; and
2. Authorized employees of the State Board of Education and the State Department of Education who require access to perform their assigned duties; and
3. Vendors who require access to perform their assigned duties.

Security

The District shall have in place Administrative Security, Physical Security, and Logical Security controls to protect from a Data Breach or Unauthorized Data Disclosure. The District shall

immediately notify the Executive Director of the Idaho State Board of Education and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction in the case of a confirmed Data Breach or confirmed Unauthorized Data Disclosure. The District shall also notify in a timely manner affected individuals, students, and families if there is a confirmed Data Breach or confirmed Unauthorized Data Disclosure.

Use

Publicly released reports shall not include PII and shall use Aggregate Data in such a manner that re-identification of individual students is not possible.

District contracts with outside vendors involving student data, which govern databases, online services, assessments, special education or instructional supports, shall include the following provisions which are intended to safeguard student privacy and the security of the data:

1. Requirement that the vendor agree to comply with all applicable State and federal law;
2. Requirement that the vendor have in place Administrative Security, Physical Security, and Logical Security controls to protect from a Data Breach or Unauthorized Data Disclosure;
3. Requirement that the vendor restrict access to PII to the authorized staff of the vendor who require such access to perform their assigned duties;
4. Prohibition against the vendor's secondary use of PII including sales, marketing, or advertising;
5. Requirement for data destruction and an associated timeframe; and
6. Penalties for non-compliance with the above provisions.

The District shall clearly define what data is determined to be directory information.

If the District chooses to publish directory information which includes PII, parents must be notified annually in writing and given an opportunity to opt out of the directory within a specified period of time. If a parent does not opt out, the release of the information as part of the directory is not a Data Breach or Unauthorized Data Disclosure.

Cross Reference: 3570 – 3570P Student Records

Legal Reference: 20 U.S.C. § 1232g Family Education Rights and Privacy Act
34 C.F.R. 99 Family Education Rights and Privacy Act
I.C. § 33-133 Idaho Student Data Accessibility, Transparency, and Accountability Act

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Relations with Non-custodial Parents

Whenever possible and legal, Joint School District No. 171 recognizes the value of providing information to non-custodial parents regarding school purposes and activities pertaining to their child. The District also recognizes that many divorced parents continue to share caregiving and custody and that each parent under legal and practical circumstances, should have equal access to information regarding their child's school progress and activities.

Therefore, upon written request to their child's school principal, the school will subsequently and routinely mail to that parent copies of all school information which is normally sent home with the child. This will include mailings of copies of report cards, and class and school newsletters during the school year in which the request is made. Non-custodial parents and parents with shared custody not normally receiving materials from the school may annually request this service.

Parents restricted by court order will not be given access to school information regarding their child. Challenges to a parent's access to information will be referred to and investigated by the Superintendent. Individuals initiating challenges must provide documentation regarding court orders prohibiting access to information.

Legal Reference: Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974
 Department of Education 34 C.F.R. Part 99 (May 9, 1980 45FR 30802)
 regs. Implementing
 FERPA enacted as part of 438 of General Education Provisions Act (20
 U.S.C. 1232G) – Parent and Student Privacy and Other Rights with
 Respect to Educational Records

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Records of Missing Children

Upon notification by the Idaho State Police of a missing or runaway child currently enrolled in the District, that student's records shall be flagged in such a manner that whenever a copy of or information regarding the record is requested, the school is alerted to the fact that the record is that of a missing or runaway child. If request is made for a flagged record, the record shall not be forwarded and the local law enforcement agency shall be notified of the request for the flagged record.

Any request concerning flagged records or knowledge as to the whereabouts of a missing or runaway child shall immediately be reported to the local law enforcement agency. Upon notification by the Idaho State Police of the return of the missing or runaway child, the school shall remove the flag from the student's record.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 18-4511 School Duties—Records of Missing Child—Identification
Upon Enrollment—Transfer of Student Records

Policy History

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Transfer of Student Records

Receiving School

Within 14 days after enrolling a transfer student, the elementary or secondary school shall request directly from the student's previous school a certified copy of his or her record and exercise due diligence in obtaining the copy of the record requested.

Forwarding School

A certified copy of the permanent or cumulative file of any student and the file containing special education records of any student shall be forwarded by mail, or electronically, to a local educational agency or accredited school in which the student seeks to or intends to enroll within ten days after receipt of a written or electronic request, except as provided in Policy 360 Records of Missing Children. The files that are forwarded must include information concerning violent or disruptive behavior or disciplinary action, however, such information shall be contained in a sealed envelope, marked as "confidential" and addressed to the principal or other administrator of the receiving school.

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Student Records
Records of Missing Children

Legal Reference: I.C. § 18-4511
I.C. § 33-209

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