

# Santa Barbara Unified School District

## Administrative Regulation

Students

AR 5144

### DISCIPLINE

#### Site-Level Rules

In developing site-level disciplinary rules, the principal or designee shall solicit the participation, views, and advice of one representative selected by each of the following groups: (Education Code 35291.5)

1. Parents/guardians
2. Teachers
3. School administrators
4. School security personnel, if any

*(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)*

5. For junior high and high schools, students enrolled in the school

Disciplinary strategies provided in Board policy, administrative regulation, and law may be used in developing site-level rules. These strategies include, but are not limited to:

1. Referral of the student for advice and counseling

*(cf. 5138 - Conflict Resolution/Peer Mediation)*  
*(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)*

2. Discussion or conference with parents/guardians

*(cf. 5020 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities)*  
*(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)*

3. Detention during and after school hours

4. In accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation, restriction or disqualification from participation in extracurricular activities

*(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular/Cocurricular Activities)*

5. Community service
6. Reassignment to an alternative educational environment

*(cf. 6158 - Independent Study)*  
*(cf. 6181 - Alternative Schools/Programs of Choice)*  
*(cf. 6184 - Continuation Education)*  
*(cf. 6185 - Community Day School)*

7. Suspension and expulsion in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation

*(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)*

*(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))*

Each school shall file a copy of its rules with the Superintendent or designee.

The rules shall be consistent with law, Board policy, and district regulations. The Governing Board may review, at an open meeting, the approved school discipline rules for consistency with Board policy and state law. (Education Code 35291.5)

Each school shall review its site-level discipline rules at least every four years.

It shall be the duty of each employee of the school to enforce the school rules on student discipline. (Education Code 35291)

### **Corporal Punishment**

Corporal punishment shall not be used as a disciplinary measure against any student.

Corporal punishment includes the willful infliction of, or willfully causing the infliction of, physical pain on a student. (Education Code 49001)

Corporal punishment does not include any pain or discomfort suffered by a student as a result of his/her voluntary participation in an athletic or other recreational competition or activity. In addition, an employee's use of force that is reasonable and necessary to protect himself/herself, students, staff, or other persons, to prevent damage to property, or to obtain possession of weapons or other dangerous objects within the control of the student is not corporal punishment. (Education Code 49001)

*(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)*

*(cf. 5131.7 - Weapons and Dangerous Instruments)*

*(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)*

### **Detention After School**

Students may be detained for disciplinary reasons up to one hour after the close of the maximum school day. (5 CCR 353)

If a student will miss his/her school bus on account of being detained after school, or if the student is not transported by school bus, the principal or designee shall notify parents/guardians of the detention at least one day in advance so that alternative transportation arrangements may be made. The student shall not be detained unless the principal or designee notifies the parent/guardian.

In cases where the school bus departs more than one hour after the end of the school day, students may be detained until the bus departs. (5 CCR 307, 353)

Students shall remain under the supervision of a certificated employee during the period of detention.

Students may be offered the choice of serving their detention on Saturday if available rather than after school.

*(cf. 6176 - Weekend/Saturday Classes)*

**Community Service**

As part of or instead of disciplinary action, the Board, Superintendent, principal, or principal's designee may, at his/her discretion, require a student to perform community service during nonschool hours, on school grounds, or, with written permission of the student's parent/guardian, off school grounds. Such service may include, but is not limited to, community or school outdoor beautification, campus betterment, and teacher, peer, or youth assistance programs. (Education Code 48900.6)

This community service option is not available for a student who has been suspended, pending expulsion, pursuant to Education Code 48915. However, if the recommended expulsion is not implemented or the expulsion itself is suspended, then a student may be required to perform community service for the resulting suspension. (Education Code 48900.6)

**Notice to Parents/Guardians and Students**

At the beginning of the school year, the Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians, in writing, about the availability of district rules related to discipline. (Education Code 35291, 48980)

*(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)*

The Superintendent or designee shall also provide written notice of the rules related to discipline to transfer students at the time of their enrollment in the district.

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