- 1. Safe and orderly schools are crucial for creating the best environment for students to learn and excel.
- 2. The principal is responsible for ensuring the school is safe and orderly. Students are subject to the principal's control during the time they are transported to or from school at public expense, during the school day, while attending a school-sponsored activity, and during all other times they are authorized to be on School Board property. Students who are transported to school in a private vehicle, who walk, ride a bicycle, at a designated school bus stop or otherwise are transported to school by some means other than at public expense are not subject to the provisions of this rule until such time as they are authorized to be on School Board property.
- 3. The principal shall monitor the administration of student discipline to ensure it is administered:
 - a. Equitably and without regard to real or perceived race, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity, national origin, political beliefs, marital status, age, social or family background, linguistic preference, or disability; and
 - b. Pursuant to law and School Board Rules and procedures.
- 4. Annually, the principal shall review school discipline data with the school advisory council in developing school improvement plans to maintain a safe and healthy school environment that protects the civil rights of all students.
- 5. The principal shall delegate the responsibility and authority for students to members of the administration, instructional personnel, contract employees, and such other support staff, such as teacher aides and bus drivers, as necessary.
- 6. The School Board shall adopt a Code of Student Conduct for Elementary, Middle, and High School students which shall include those provisions required by law.
 - a. The Code shall be distributed to all teachers, school personnel, students, and parents at the beginning of every school year. Each student shall sign a statement that he or she has received a copy of the Code.

- b. The Code shall be discussed at the beginning of every school year in student classes, school advisory council meetings, and parent and teacher association or organization meetings.
- c. Any School Board Rule in conflict with the Code shall prevail and the conflict shall be appropriately resolved at the first opportunity.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

1001.41; 1001.42,

LAWS IMPLEMENTED:

120.57(1); 1001.43; 1001.43; 1003.04; 1003.21; 1003.31; 1003.32; 1006.07; 1006.08; 1006.09; 1006.10; 1006.13, F.S.

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