

BOARD POLICY
Student Code of Conduct

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It is the policy of Bibb County School District ("District") to develop and implement age-appropriate student codes of conduct designed to improve the student learning environment and to comply with Georgia law and State Board of Education Rule 160-4-8-.15. Each code of conduct shall include the following:

1. Standards for student behavior that are designed to create the expectation that students will behave themselves in such a way to facilitate a learning environment for themselves and other students. The standards should be designed to encourage students to respect each other and District employees, to motivate students to obey student behavior policies adopted by the Bibb County Board of Education ("Board"), and to prompt students to follow student behavior rules established at each school within this District.
2. Student support processes that are designed to consider the severity of the behavioral problem. Student support services will be available at each school. The District will work with other public entities and community organizations that may assist students and address behavioral problems.
3. Progressive discipline that is implemented to create the expectation that the degree of discipline imposed by school administration will be proportionate to the severity of the behavior of a particular student, the previous discipline history of the student, and other relevant factors. School administration will also provide each student with the due process mandated by federal and state law.
4. Parental involvement opportunities that are provided to enable parents, guardians, teachers, and school administrators to work together to improve and enhance student behavior and academic performance. The process should enable parents, guardians, and school employees to freely communicate their concerns about student behaviors which detract from the learning environment.

The Superintendent or his or her designee will involve parents in developing and updating student codes of conduct. Each code shall require disciplinary action for each infraction of the code of conduct. All student codes of conduct will be submitted to the Board for approval.

The student code of conduct will be distributed to each student and the student's parents or guardians during the first week of school and upon enrollment of each new student. The parents or guardians will be requested to provide the school with a signed acknowledgment confirming receipt of the code of conduct. The student code of conduct shall be available in the school office and each classroom. The student code of conduct will also be available on the District's website.