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CHANGES & REVISIONS FOR 2019-2020 STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES DISTRICT HANDBOOK

CHANGES:

- ~ **Pg. 10 – Equal Education Opportunities** moved to page 1
- ~ **Pg. 14 – Dress and Grooming – revised** wording #3 NOTE ‘this also include leggings & tights’
- ~ **Pg. 16 – Bold** section of first paragraph ‘Administrators are authorized to use their discretion in determining extremes in styles of dress and grooming and what is appropriate and suitable for school wear’.
- ~ **Pg. 21 – Discipline Policy** – second paragraph adding ‘gang fighting’
- ~ **Pg. 23 – Zero Tolerance for Fighting** section D – deleted number 3
- ~ **Pg. 53 – Cell Phones and all other telecommunications device –** the following was added to section:
 - ‘GRADES K-8 NO ELECTRONIC DEVICES ALLOWED’
 - Additional Offense ‘Device may be held for the remainder of the school year’
- ~ **Pg. 53 – Communicating of false information of planned arson or bomb threats –** added ‘(ACT 716 Threat of Violence): if this is reported to law enforcement the student shall have to go through a mandated mental health evaluation through a license mental health provider’
- ~ **Pg. 55 – Adding ‘POSSESSION OR POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE PRESCRIPTION/NON-PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION –**
 1. Possession of prescription/non-prescription medication without evidence of a prescription or a physician’s order on file at school.

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- a. short-term suspension
- b. long term suspension
- c. recommended expulsion

2. Distribution of medication, including non-prescription medication, or possession of same with intent to distribute.

- a. recommended expulsion

~ **Pg. 55 – Possession or use of cigarettes, etc.** – added ‘Paraphernalia or similar devices

~ **Pg. 55 – Possession of a knife** – blade equals or exceeds 2 ½” – Grades 6-8 -
Expulsion for the remainder of the school year

Grades K-5 – Administrator may but shall not recommend expulsion

~ **Pg. 56 – Vandalism** - adding ‘Short term suspension (depending on the circumstances)’