

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BAYFIELD

DISTRICT DISCIPLINE

The Bayfield School District has the responsibility to educate every student and to provide a safe and orderly learning environment for all students and staff. The Bayfield School District has high standards for all students and staff, and recognizes that a diverse district needs to use differentiated strategies. Effective school discipline maximizes the amount of time students spend learning and minimizes the amount of time students cause disruption or are removed from their classrooms due to misbehavior. This policy and the accompanying procedures are intended to improve behavior, school climate and academic achievement for all students.

Effective discipline can only occur in the context of a learning community that values caring relationships. Relationships of care and mutual respect are necessary for students to accept instruction, modeling and feedback from their teachers. These relationships provide the motivation for students to care about the impact of their behavior on others.

The goal of school discipline is to teach students to behave in ways that contribute to academic achievement and school success and supports a school environment that builds positive relationships where students and staff are responsible and respectful. The Bayfield School District expects all students to be active learners and responsible members of their learning community. A restorative approach shall be followed to promote positive relationships, responsibility and respect:

1. Recognition that misbehavior damages relationships between the person or persons who misbehaved, the person harmed by the behavior, and the community as a whole;
2. Having an opportunity to repair harm done and restore relationships;
3. Building personal responsibility by helping individuals develop internal control and motivation;
4. Maintaining boundaries/limits that preserves mutual respect and the safety and integrity of individuals and the community.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 118.13 Wisconsin Statutes
 120.13(1)
 121.52(2)

PI 9.03(1) Wisconsin Administrative Code

CROSS REF.: 411-Rule, Discrimination Complaint Procedures
 443-Rule, Discipline
 444, Student Conduct
 Exhibit: Behavior Management Manual

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