

# Elementary School Code of Conduct

2023-2024



**AIKEN COUNTY**

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THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF AIKEN COUNTY  
CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT

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# INTRODUCTORY MATTERS

## *@ Philosophy:*

The Aiken County Board of Education believes that residents desire the best possible education for



# HEARINGS AND APPEALS

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Typical minor disciplinary act ons consist of restrict on of privileges, work assignments (such as picking up paper, washing desk tops, sweeping floors, etc.), detent on, in-school suspension, and out-of-school suspension. It is recognized, however, that situat ons serious enough to warrant immediate suspension may arise. In such cases, a warning conference prior to suspension is not required. o # . . . . . U . . . O @

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Typically start ng at Level II of enses: For any of the of enses listed in O . @ a student may be suspended (and/or recommended for expulsion in limited instances) by the assistant principal or principal. In making such recommendat on, the school administrator will follow the matrix of consequences and will include informat on as to any extenuat ng, mit gat ng, or aggravat ng circumstances. For recommendat onsof suspension (or expulsion, if applicable), and for any of enses in which a student is to be suspended from a class or a school, the student's parent or guardian will be not f ed in writ ng and informed of the right to discuss the principal's act on. This writ en not ce will include the reason and t me frame (dates) for the suspension (and/or recommendat on for expulsion) and will set a t me and place when the administrator will be available for a conference with the parent or guardian. Such conference will be set within three (3) school days of the date of the disciplinary act on. Af er this conference, and prior to (or as part of) any due process hearing, the student – with writ en parental permission – may be of ered voluntary part cipat on in collaborat ve agency programs, or other intervent ons in lieu of, or in conjunct on with, the cont nuat on of discipline. o # . . . . . U . . . O @

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For any of the of enses listed in O . @ a student may be suspended and recommended for expulsion by the principal. In making such recommendat on, the principal will include informat on as to any extenuat ng, mit gat ng, or aggravat ng circumstances. For expulsion of enses, and for any of enses in which a student is to be suspended from a class or a school, the student's parent or guardian will be not f ed in writ ng and informed of the right to discuss the principal's act on. This writ en not ce will include the reason and the t me frame (dates) for the suspension and/or recommendat on for expulsion and will set a t me and place when the administrator will be

advised of the alleged violation of the Code and the proposed consequences, such as restriction



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In certain circumstances, a student may be placed in the alternative setting after an accumulation of level II infractions with a conference and the administration and the parent/guardian. This agreement must be in place prior to the student committing an expellable offense.

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A recommendation for expulsion will be confirmed by the school level Assistant Superintendent. The Assistant Superintendent may require an additional conference with the parent or guardian before confirming a recommendation for expulsion.

A parent or guardian will be advised of the date and time for a hearing before the Hearing Officer, as provided below. u

= \ Such initial hearings shall take place within fifteen (15) days of the date of the written notification of expulsion, unless waived in writing by the parent or student, either completely or for a later date. If the parent or guardian fails to attend the hearing designated, the expulsion recommendation will be forwarded to the Board of Education for ratification. In any hearing, the Hearing Officer, after reviewing the student's previous record, and in light of extenuating

Handwritten signatures and initials are present over the text of the hearing notice.

level of offense, or a less than suspension of offense if the same violates the terms of the imposed strict probation. Such violation of probation will result in immediate suspension from school and

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Any weapon, look-a-like weapon, or contraband item found on a student, or on property under the possession or control of the student while on school grounds or at any school-sponsored event, will be confiscated immediately from the student by the appropriate administrator, school personnel, or adult in charge. Thereafter, if required by law to be turned over to law enforcement authorities, such weapon or contraband item will be surrendered to law enforcement officials. Some weapons (including all handguns) are mandated by law to be forfeited upon such confiscation and surrendered to law enforcement personnel. Any other item reasonably considered a weapon or inherently dangerous by school administration and confiscated may be held at the discretion of the school administration (with the exception of cell phones) until the end of the then existing school term and turned over to the student's parent after a written request. Other unauthorized devices found in use by a student during instructional time, or otherwise displayed or utilized in a distracting





**NOTE:** The administration will make the final judgment on the appropriateness of clothing and/or appearance and reserves the right to prohibit students from wearing any article of clothing or other items which lead to or result in the disruption of or interference with the school environment and student safety. In the event the administration determines a student's dress is inappropriate for



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Disruptive conduct is defined as those activities engaged in by a student which are directed against persons or property, and the consequences of which tend to endanger the health or safety of oneself or others in the school. Some instances of disruptive conduct may overlap certain criminal offenses, justifying both administrative sanctions and court proceedings. Behavioral misconduct (Level I) may be reclassified as disruptive conduct (Level II) if it occurs three or more times. The



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Of enses that involve threats or acts against a person or property of another which seriously endanger the health and safety of others. Level III of enses shall be dealt with by the administrat on.

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As a reminder, students may be suspended or recommended for expulsion for first-time offenses or any act which is detrimental to the good order, best interest, and physical safety of the school. The student may be disciplined according to the nature and degree of the offense or act at the discretion of the administration.

<b>WRN</b>	Warning	<b>CP</b>	Contact Parent
<b>CNF</b>	Conference	<b>REST</b>	Restitution
<b>LP</b>	Loss of Privileges/Confiscation	<b>DET</b>	Detention
<b>BC</b>	Behavior Contract		

#	Unauthorized or excessive personal use of school computers and computing equipment. This includes but is not limited to accessing websites without permission, sending inappropriate emails/messages, deleting other students' files, or accessing unauthorized staff/student information. See ACPSD Board Policy IJNDB.
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ISS	<i>In School Suspension</i>
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Laser pointer	<del>DISCIPLINE</del>
Loitering	<del>DISCIPLINE</del>
Lynching	<del>DISCIPLINE</del>
Misconduct	<del>DISCIPLINE</del>
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OSS	<i>Out of school suspension</i>
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## ATTENDANCE

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will result in a referral to the District Attendance Office and/or Family Court.

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§ 170.17(4)(a)-(c)

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- ~~Miss~~
- Late bus arrival
- Teacher, Guidance, or Administrator Conference

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- ~~Over~~
- ~~Key~~
- Missed Bus
- Car trouble

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Tardy is defined as not being inside the appointed classroom at the beginning of designated class period start time. Students who are late to school shall be marked absent to class when the entire class is missed and marked tardy to the class that is partially missed. Unexcused/Unlawful tardies are considered a violation of the CSAL in that instruction time is missed. Unexcused tardies and unlawful absences from individual classes will be addressed in an Attendance Intervention Plan and may result in a referral to the District Attendance Office or Family Court.

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- Behavioral misconduct on the bus
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- Encouraging misbehavior
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### Consequences

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Disruptive conduct is defined as those activities directed against persons or property, which tend to endanger the health or safety of oneself or others on a school vehicle. Disruptive records of

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Transportation Supervisor must be involved in conference for bus suspensions of 30 days or longer

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**Criminal Conduct**

Criminal Conduct is defined as those activities that result in violence to oneself, another person, or destruction of property. These activities pose a direct and serious threat to the safety of oneself or others on a school vehicle. Criminal conduct usually requires administrative actions, which could result in the immediate removal of the student from school, the intervention of law enforcement authorities, and/or action by the Board of Trustees. Level III violations may lead to a student's immediate removal from the bus at the school or bus transportation office. Acts of criminal conduct may include, but are not limited to the following violations.

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Cell phones or paging devices are permitted at school events during non-school hours.

A first unauthorized act with no related infraction will result in a device otherwise permitted under this policy being taken by the school administrator for the remainder of the day and a warning being issued. The student must sign a "Condition for Return" acknowledgement and agreement before being able to bring the cell phone, pager, or electronic device back on the school campus.

A second unauthorized act with no related infraction will result in a device otherwise permitted under this policy being taken by the school administrator for the remainder of the day and a warning being issued. The student must sign a "Condition for Return" acknowledgement and agreement before being able to bring the cell phone, pager, or electronic device back on the school campus.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS:

Maintaining discipline and appropriate student behavior is necessary for the operation of our schools. Invoking disciplinary procedures may at times be stressful and emotional for parents and the students involved. Nevertheless, the Board of Education expects communications and meetings between school personnel and parents to be conducted reasonably, even if there are differences of opinion.

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We, parent/guardian and student, have read the conduct regulations (Code of Student Conduct) which are in effect in the schools of The Consolidated School District of Aiken County during the school year 2023-2024.

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- 1) firearms or other weapons
- 2) alcohol
- 3) drugs
- 4) violent acts, or threats thereof, committed against school staff or students
- 5) conduct involving sexual activity or offenses/offenses against common decency
- 6) arson/damage to property
- 7) major disruptions

The undersigned further acknowledge having read and understood the School District's Internet Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) and I agree to abide by the terms and conditions of the AUP.

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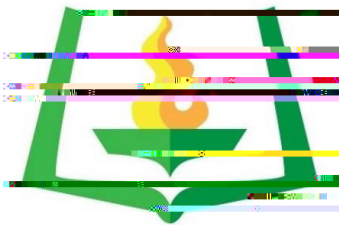
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