

STUDENT PROTESTS, DEMONSTRATIONS AND STRIKES

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The Board recognizes the rights of students to dissent peacefully so long as the day-to-day educational focus is not disrupted or hampered.

When student protests, demonstrations or strikes include violations of the rights of other students to an education, or when such protests, demonstrations, or strikes involve force, threat of force, or actual violation of the law, those students responsible will be temporarily suspended from school pending further investigation. Students may face more severe discipline consistent with and in accordance with Board policy.

It will be the duty of teachers and administrators to see that order is maintained and that the right of the majority to pursue their education is not abridged by those who would disrupt that aim.

The Superintendent is directed to develop specific procedures for handling student protests, demonstrations and strikes. At all times, the safety of the students shall be the main priority during times of student protests, demonstrations or strikes.

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