

CHAPTER 5.00 – STUDENTS

CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

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The Board permits the use of reasonable corporal punishment. Should corporal punishment be necessary, it must be administered according to the following guidelines:

- I. The student is notified of the offense for which he/she is to receive corporal punishment, and the student is given an opportunity to explain his/her actions;
- II. The punishment is administered by the school principal or his/her designee and witnessed by a certified school employee;
- III. The punishment is administered out of view of any other students;
- IV. A written record of the punishment shall be made in which the violated offense resulting in the punishment is listed along with the number of paddle strokes administered. The name of the teacher requesting the punishment, the name of the person administering the punishment and the name of all witnesses shall be included in the record. The principal of the school shall maintain a copy of the record and a copy shall be sent to the parent/guardian.
- V. Before corporal punishment is administered to students receiving special education services, the students IEP and, if applicable, Behavior Intervention Plan will be consulted and all procedures regarding discipline of exceptional students will be fulfilled. If there is any doubt, the Board's special education coordinator should be contacted.

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