

## Students

### Corporal Punishment

The use of corporal punishment is prohibited. Corporal punishment is defined as using physical force or inflicting physical hurt upon a child in order to punish him for misconduct or in order to regulate his behavior.

A teacher or other person entrusted with the care and supervision of a minor for school purposes may use reasonable physical force upon such minor only to the extent that such force is reasonable, appropriate and necessary to:

- (A) protect himself or others from immediate physical injury;
- (B) obtain possession of a dangerous instrument or controlled substance, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 21a-240(9), upon or within the control of such minor;
- (C) protect property from physical damage, or;
- (D) restrain such minor or remove such minor to another area, to maintain order.

(cf. 4148/4248 - Employee Protection)

(cf. 5141.23 - Students with Special Health Care Needs)

(cf. 5144 - Use of Physical Force)

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

53a-18 Use of reasonable physical force or deadly physical force generally

53a-19 Use of physical force in defense of person

53a-20 Use of physical force in defense of premises

53a-21 Use of physical force in defense of property

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