Policy No. 3244 Section: 3000 - Students

## PROHIBITION OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

Corporal punishment is any act which willfully inflicts or willfully causes the infliction of physical pain on a student, and is not permitted.

Corporal punishment does not include:

- A. The use of reasonable physical force by an administrator, teacher, other school employee or volunteer as necessary to maintain order to prevent a student from harming him/herself, other students, school staff and other persons, or property;
- B. Physical pain or discomfort resulting from or caused by training for or participation in athletic competition or recreational activity voluntarily engaged in by a student;
- C. Physical exertion shared by all students in a teacher directed class activity, which may include, but is not limited to, physical education exercises, field trips or vocational education projects; or
- D. Physical restraint or the use of aversive therapy as part of a behavior management program in a student's individual education program which has been signed by the parent and is carried out according to district procedures in compliance with WAC 392-171-800(30).

Cross Reference: Board Policy 3241 Corrective Actions or Punishment

Legal References: RCW 28A.150.300 Corporal punishment prohibited —

Adoption of policy

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