

Policy

GUIDELINES PERTAINING TO OVERDUE, DAMAGED OR
LOST INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

The Board of Education believes that children should learn to respect property and develop feelings of pride in community institutions. The board of education further believes that the loan of textbooks, library books and other instructional materials to pupils is necessary for a successful educational program. The board charges each student in the schools of this district with responsibility for the proper care of school property and the school supplies and equipment entrusted to his or her use.

In accordance with law, students who cause damage to school property shall be subject to disciplinary measures, and their parents shall be financially liable for such damage. Where the damage to district property has been caused by a minor not a pupil of this district, the board will hold liable for the amount of the damage the parent or guardian having legal custody and control of the minor responsible for the damage.

The board authorizes the imposition of fines for the loss, damage, or defacement of textbooks and school owned instructional materials. Students will be required to reimburse the public school district for damaged or lost textbooks and/or other school owned instructional materials.

The Superintendent shall develop appropriate sanctions to implement this policy.

The same policy will be applied to nonpublic school pupils to whom textbooks are loaned.

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