

Van Buren County Board of Education

Monitoring: Review: Annually, in April	Descriptor Term: Rights and Responsibilities	Descriptor Code: 6.301	Issued Date: 06/17/99
		Rescinds:	Issued:

1 The Board expects all school staff, students and parents to assume the responsibility for appropriate
2 behaviors in the school.

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4 Each student has the right to:

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- 6 1. Have the opportunity for a free education in the most appropriate learning environment;
- 7 2. Have the opportunity for freedom of speech, expression of ideas, and of the press;
- 8 3. Be secure in his/her person, papers and effects against unreasonable searches and seizure;
- 9 4. Expect that the school will be a safe place;
- 10 5. Have an appropriate environment conducive to learning;
- 11 6. Not be discriminated against on the basis of sex, race, color, creed, religion, national origin
12 or disabilities¹; and
- 13 7. Be fully informed of school rules and regulations.
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15 Each student has the responsibility to: ²

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- 17 1. Know and adhere to reasonable rules and regulations established by the Board;
- 18 2. Respect the human dignity and worth of every other individual;
- 19 3. Refrain from libel, slanderous remarks, and obscenity in verbal and written expression;
- 20 4. Study and maintain the best possible level of academic achievement;
- 21 5. Be punctual and present in the regular school program;
- 22 6. Dress and groom in a manner that meets reasonable standards of health, cleanliness, mod-
23 esty and safety;
- 24 7. Maintain and/or improve the school environment, preserve school and private property, and
25 exercise care while using school facilities;
- 26 8. Refrain from behavior which would lead to physical or emotional harm or disrupts the edu-
27 cational process;
- 28 9. Respect the authority of school administrators, teachers and other authorized personnel in
29 maintaining discipline in the school and at school-sponsored activities;
- 30 10. Obey the law and school rules as to the possession or the use of alcohol, illegal drugs and
31 other unauthorized substances or materials; and
- 32 11. Possess on school grounds only those materials which are acceptable under the law and
33 accept the consequences for articles stored in one's locker.
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38 Legal References:

- 39 1. 20 U.S.C. § 1703
- 40 2. TCA 49-6-3401
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