

Elizabethton City Board of Education

Monitoring: Review: Annually, in April	Descriptor Term: Care of School Property	Descriptor Code: 6.311	Issued Date: 01/29/90
		Rescinds: JCBH	Issued:

1 In cases of willful or malicious damage to school property, the policy of the Elizabethton City Schools
2 will be to seek full restitution from those persons responsible for such acts.¹ Where necessary, the director
3 of schools or his/her designee, with the approval of the chairman of the Board, will institute civil court
4 action to recover damages and may also refer the matter to the juvenile authorities.

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6 When necessary, procedures may be evoked for suspension and/or expulsion of students involved in
7 such acts who are presently attending the Elizabethton City Schools.

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9 When responsibility for a particular act of vandalism has been established, the parents or parent, guard-
10 ian or persons in loco parentis of students involved will be held responsible for payment of the damages
11 done. If they desire time in which to make such restitution they shall be requested to sign a legal note
12 specifying amount, method, and time limits for payment of damages. In cases where parents or parent,
13 guardian or persons in loco parentis are unwilling to pay or sign an agreement to pay, or fail to live up
14 to the terms of the agreement once signed, civil court action may be instituted to recover the amount of
15 damages stipulated in the agreement.

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17 In cases of minor vandalism, it may be feasible and desirable for the students involved to make restitu-
18 tion by cleaning up or otherwise restoring the damaged property to its original condition. In these cases,
19 the student and the parent or parents, guardian, or persons in loco parentis shall be advised in writing by
20 the principal of the building involved of the repair and clean-up work needed and of the specific time
21 limit in which such work is to be accomplished. If the work is not completed within the specified time
22 period, school personnel will perform the work or have it done, and the parents or parent, guardian, or
23 persons in loco parentis will be billed for the costs incurred.

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35 Legal Reference:
36 1. TCA 37-10-101 through 103

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35 Cross References:
36 Visitors to the School 1.501
37 Security 3.205
38 Student Fees and Fines 6.709

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