



OAK PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Acknowledgement of Corporal Punishment Policy

While recognizing that students may require disciplinary actions in various forms, the Board of Education cannot condone the use of unreasonable force and fear as an appropriate procedure in student discipline.

Professional staff should not find it necessary to resort to physical force or violence to compel obedience. If all other means fail, staff members may always resort to the removal of the student from the classroom or school through suspension or expulsion procedures.

Professional staff as well as support staff within the scope of their employment, may use and apply reasonable force and restraint to:

- A. Remove a student who refuses to comply with a request to behave or report to the main office.
- B. Quell a disturbance threatening physical injury to self or others
- C. Obtain possession of weapons or other dangerous objects upon or within the control of the student in self-defense, or for the protection of persons or property.

In accordance with State law M.C.L.A. 380.1312, corporal punishment shall not be permitted. If any staff member (full-time, part-time, or substitute) deliberately inflicts or causes to be inflicted, physical pain by hurting, paddling, spanking, slapping, or makes use of any other kind of physical force as a means of disciplining a student, s/he may be subject to discipline by the Board and potential criminal assault charges.

This prohibition applies as well to volunteers and those with whom the District contracts for services.

The Superintendent shall provide administrative guidelines which shall include a list of alternate corporal punishment.

I hereby acknowledge my receipt of and indicate my agreement to abide by the Oak Park School District's Corporal Punishment Policy.

Employee Name

Employee Signature

Date