

Greater Albany SD 8J
Board Policy

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Student Rights and Responsibilities

The Board has the responsibility to afford students the rights that are theirs by virtue of guarantees offered under federal and state constitutions and statutes. In connection with rights are responsibilities that must be assumed by students.

Among these student rights and responsibilities are the following:

1. Civil rights — including the rights to equal educational opportunity and freedom from discrimination; the responsibility not to discriminate against others;
2. The right to attend free public schools; the responsibility to attend school regularly and to observe school rules essential for permitting others to learn at school;
3. The right to due process of law with respect to suspension, expulsion and decisions which the student believes injure his/her rights;
4. The right to free inquiry and expression; the responsibility to observe reasonable rules regarding these rights;
5. The right to privacy, which includes privacy with respect to the student's education records.

Students have the right to know the behavior standards expected of them as well as to know the consequences of misbehavior.

Students' rights and responsibilities, including standards of conduct, will be made available to students and their parents or guardians¹ through information distributed annually.

END OF POLICY

¹As used in this policy, the term parent includes legal guardian or person in a parental relationship. The status and duties of a legal guardian are defined in ORS 125.005 (4) and 125.300 - 125.325. The determination of whether an individual is acting in a parental relationship, for purposes of determining residency, depends on the evaluation of the factors listed in ORS 419B.373. The determination for other purposes depends on evaluation of those factors and a power of attorney executed pursuant to ORS 109.056. For special education students, parent also includes a surrogate parent, an adult student to whom rights have transferred and foster parent as defined in OAR 581-015-0005 (18).

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 109](#).056
[ORS 125](#).005(4)
[ORS 125](#).300-125.325
[ORS 332](#).061
[ORS 332](#).072
[ORS 337](#).150
[ORS 339](#).155

[ORS 339](#).240 - 339.450
[ORS 419B](#).373
[ORS 659](#).150
[ORS 659](#).175

[OAR 581-015](#)-0005(18)
[OAR 581-021](#)-0045
[OAR 581-021](#)-0046
[OAR 581-021](#)-0050 to -0075
[OAR 581-022](#)-1140

Hazelwood School District v. Kuhlmeier, 484 U.S. 260 (1988).
Bethel School District No. 403 v. Fraser, 478 U.S. 675 (1986).

Cross Reference(s):

[JFC](#) - Student Conduct