

**Saint Helens
School District 502**

Code: **JGA**
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Orig. Code(s): JGA

Corporal Punishment**

The use of corporal punishment in any form is strictly prohibited in the district. No student will be subject to the infliction of corporal punishment.

Corporal punishment is defined as the willful infliction of, or willfully causing the infliction of, physical pain.

No teacher, administrator, other school personnel or school volunteer will subject a student to corporal punishment or condone the use of corporal punishment by any person under his/her supervision or control. Permission to administer corporal punishment will not be sought or accepted from any parent/guardian, person in parental relationship or school official.

A staff member is authorized to employ physical restraint when, in his/her professional judgment, the physical restraint is necessary to prevent a student from harming self, others or doing harm to district property. If temporary physical restraint is used, the involved staff member(s) will complete a Physical Restraint Incident Report, notify their supervisor as soon as possible, and comply with the provisions of the district Physical Restraint and Seclusion policy and procedures. Physical restraint or seclusion, when used as part of a behavior support plan in a student's individual education plan, which has been developed with parent participation, is not considered corporal punishment. Physical force shall not be used to discipline or punish a student. The superintendent shall inform all staff members and volunteers of this policy.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 161.205](#)

[ORS 339.240](#)

[ORS 339.250](#)

[OAR 581-021-0050 to -0075](#)

[OAR 584-020-0040](#)