

# EagleRidge High School

STUDENTS 700.11 JG

## **Student Discipline Policy\*\***

Discipline in EHS is based upon a philosophy designed to produce behavioral changes that will enable students to develop the self-discipline necessary to remain in school and to function successfully in their educational and social environments.

Students are subject to discipline for conduct while traveling to and from school, at the bus stop, at school-sponsored events, and while off campus, whenever such conduct causes a substantial and material disruption of the educational environment or the invasion of rights of others.

The major objectives of EHS's discipline program are to teach the following fundamental concepts for living:

1. Understanding and respect for individual rights, dignity and safety;
2. Understanding and respect for the law, Board policies, procedures and school rules;
3. Understanding of and respect for public and private property rights.

The EHS board seeks to ensure a school climate which is appropriate for learning and which assures the safety and welfare of personnel and students. The EHS Executive Director will develop procedures whereby those students who disrupt the educational setting or who endanger the safety of others will be offered corrective counseling and be subject to disciplinary sanctions that are age appropriate, and to the extent practicable, uses approaches that are shown through research to be effective to correct behavioral problems, while supporting a students' attendance to school and classes. Examples include, but are not limited to, reprimands, conferences, detention and denial of participation in cocurricular and extracurricular activities. Titles and/or privileges available to or granted to students may be denied and/or revoked (e.g., valedictorian, salutatorian, student body, class or club office positions, field trips, senior trip, prom, etc.).

EHS shall enforce consistently, fairly and without bias all student conduct policies, procedures and school rules.

A student whose conduct or condition is seriously detrimental to the school's best interests may be suspended. Students may be expelled for any of the following circumstances: a) when a student's conduct poses a threat to the health or safety of students or employees; b) when other strategies to change student behavior have been ineffective except that expulsion may not be used to address truancy; or c) when required by law. EHS shall consider the age of the student and the past pattern of the student's behavior prior to imposing the suspension or expulsion. EHS will ensure careful consideration of the rights and

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needs of the individual concerned, as well as the best interests of other students and the school program as a whole.

When a suspension is imposed (either out-of-school or in-school suspension) on a student, EHS shall take steps to prevent the recurrence of the behavior that led to the out-of-school suspension, and return the student to a classroom setting to minimize the disruption of the student's academic instruction. Classroom work while on suspension will be allowed to be made up.

Parents, students and employees shall be notified by handbook, code of conduct or other document of the acceptable behavior, behavior subject to discipline and the procedures to address behavior. These procedures will include a system of consequences designed to correct student misconduct and promote acceptable behavior.

END OF POLICY

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