

Prohibition of Corporal Punishment

Corporal punishment is any act which willfully inflicts or willfully causes the infliction of physical pain on a student, and is not permitted.

Corporal punishment does not include:

- A. The use of reasonable physical force by an administrator, teacher, other school employee or volunteer when reasonably necessary to control spontaneous behavior that poses an imminent likelihood of serious harm;
- B. Physical pain or discomfort resulting from or caused by training for or participating in athletic competition or recreational activity voluntarily engaged in by a student;
- C. Physical exertion shared by all students in a teacher-directed class activity, which may include, but is not limited to, physical education exercises, field trips or vocational education projects; or
- D. Physical restraint or the use of aversive therapy as part of an emergency response protocol within a student's individualized education program, which has been signed by the parent and is carried out according to district procedures.

Cross References

3241 - Classroom Management, Discipline and Corrective Action

Legal References

RCW 28A.150.300 Corporal punishment prohibited - Adoption of policy

WAC 392-172A-03130 Aversive interventions - Conditions

WAC 392-400-235 Discipline - Conditions and limitations

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