JK Student Discipline

Purpose: To establish the basic structure for student discipline.

The school is a community. It is responsible for educating those children who attend and, therefore, it must establish and enforce guidelines and procedures that provide for reasonable order and an atmosphere where learning can take place.

In keeping with the philosophy that discipline is a means of teaching and that most effective teaching is done in a positive manner, disciplinary efforts are to be as positive as possible. Positive means of working with students include individual discussion and counseling, involvement of students in defining acceptable behavioral standards and involvement of parents/guardians.

Under the direction of the superintendent, school personnel will establish, periodically review and, if necessary, revise procedures for disciplining students.

All procedures and guidelines will be fair, just, flexible and in the best interest of the individual students and the school community. In addition, all procedures and guidelines will comply with the appropriate statutes and constitutional provisions.

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Legal references:

S.C. Code, 1976, as amended:

Section 59-19-90(3) - Gives district trustees authority to prescribe rules of pupil conduct including provisions for suspension or dismissal of those failing to comply with such rules.

Section 59-63-210 - Grounds for suspension, expulsion or transfer.

Section 59-63-220 - Suspension of administrators.

Section 59-63-230 - Notice of suspension, conferences with parents.

Section 59-63-240 - Expulsion hearings.