

**EASTERN
WESTMORELAND
CAREER &
TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

SECTION: PUPILS
TITLE: STUDENT DISCIPLINE
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218. STUDENT DISCIPLINE	
1. Purpose	The Joint Operating Committee finds that student conduct is closely related to learning. An effective vocational education program requires a safe and orderly school environment.
2. Authority SC 1850.1 Title 22 Sec. 12.3, 12.4 Pol. 103, 103.1	The Joint Operating Committee shall establish fair, reasonable and nondiscriminatory rules and regulations regarding the conduct of all students in the center during the time they are under the supervision of the center or at any time while on center property, while present at center-sponsored activities, and while traveling to or from the center and center-sponsored activities.
Title 22 Sec. 12.2, 12.3, 12.4 Pol. 103, 103.1, 235	The Joint Operating Committee shall adopt a Code of Student Conduct to govern student discipline, and students shall not be subject to disciplinary action because of race, sex, color, religion, sexual orientation, national origin or handicap/disability. Each student must adhere to Joint Operating Committee policies and the Code of Student Conduct governing student discipline.
Title 22 Sec. 12.5	The Joint Operating Committee prohibits the use of corporal punishment to discipline students for violations of Joint Operating Committee policies and center rules or regulations.
Pol. 233	Any student disciplined by a center employee shall have the right to notice of the infraction.
Pol. 233	Suspensions and expulsions shall be carried out in coordination with the sending schools and in accordance with Joint Operating Committee policy, state and federal law and due process.

<p>Pol. 122</p> <p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</p> <p>Title 22 Sec. 12.3 Pol. 235</p> <p>SC 1317, 1318</p>	<p><u>Off-Campus Activities</u></p> <p>This policy shall also apply to student conduct that occurs off center property and would otherwise violate the Code of Student Conduct if any of the following circumstances exist:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The conduct occurs during the time the student is traveling to and from the center or a center-sponsored activity, whether or not via center furnished transportation. 2. The student is a member of an extracurricular activity and has been notified that particular off-campus conduct could result in exclusion from such activities. 3. Student expression or conduct materially and substantially disrupts the operations of the center, or the administration reasonably anticipates that the expression or conduct is likely to materially and substantially disrupt the operations of the center. 4. The conduct has a direct nexus to attendance at the center or a center-sponsored activity, for example, a transaction conducted outside of the center pursuant to an agreement made in the center, that would violate the Code of Student Conduct if conducted in the center. 5. The conduct involves the theft or vandalism of center property. 6. There is otherwise a nexus between the proximity or timing of the conduct in relation to the student's attendance at the center or center-sponsored activities. <p>The Administrative Director or designee shall ensure that reasonable and necessary rules and regulations are developed to implement Joint Operating Committee policy governing student conduct.</p> <p>The Administrative Director or designee shall publish and distribute to all staff, students and parents/guardians the rules and regulations for student behavior contained in the Code of Student Conduct, the sanctions that may be imposed for violations of those rules, and a listing of students' rights and responsibilities. A copy of the Code of Student Conduct shall be available in each center library and center office.</p> <p>The building administrator shall have the authority to assign discipline to students, subject to Joint Operating Committee policies and center rules and regulations and to the student's due process right to notice, hearing, and appeal.</p>
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<p>SC 1317</p>	<p>Teaching staff and other center employees responsible for students shall have the authority to take reasonable actions necessary to control the conduct of students in all situations and in all places where students are within the jurisdiction of the Joint Operating Committee, and when such conduct interferes with the educational program of the center or threatens the health and safety of others.</p>
<p>Title 22 Sec. 12.5</p>	<p>Reasonable force may be used by teachers and school authorities under any of the following circumstances: to quell a disturbance, obtain possession of weapons or other dangerous objects, for the purpose of self-defense, and for the protection of persons or property.</p>
<p>4. Guidelines</p>	<p><u>Referral To Law Enforcement And Reporting Requirements</u></p>
<p>SC 1303-A Title 22 Sec. 10.2 35 P.S. Sec. 780-102</p>	<p>For reporting purposes, the term incident shall mean an instance involving an act of violence; the possession of a weapon; the possession, use, or sale of a controlled substance or drug paraphernalia as defined in the Pennsylvania Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act; the possession, use, or sale of alcohol or tobacco; or conduct that constitutes an offense listed under the Safe Schools Act.</p>
<p>SC 1302.1-A, 1303-A Title 22 Sec. 10.2, 10.21, 10.22 Pol. 805.1</p>	<p>The Administrative Director or designee shall immediately report required incidents and may report discretionary incidents committed by students on center property, at any center-sponsored activity or on a conveyance providing transportation to or from the center or a center-sponsored activity to the local police department that has jurisdiction over the center's property, in accordance with state law and regulations, the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement and Joint Operating Committee policies.</p>
<p>Title 22 Sec. 10.2, 10.25 Pol. 805.1 SC 1303-A Pol. 218.1, 218.2, 222, 227, 805.1</p>	<p>The Administrative Director or designee shall notify the parent/guardian of any student directly involved in an incident as a victim or suspect as soon as practicable.</p> <p>In accordance with state law, the Administrative Director shall annually, by July 31, report all new incidents to the Office for Safe Schools on the required form.</p>

References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 510, 1302.1-A, 1303-A, 1317, 1318

PA Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act – 35 P.S.
Sec. 780-102

State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 10.2, 10.21, 10.22,
10.25, 12.1 et seq., 403.1

No Child Left Behind Act – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7114

Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, Title 34, Code of Federal
Regulations – 34 CFR Part 300

Joint Operating Committee Policy – 103, 103.1, 122, 218.1, 218.2,
222, 227, 233, 235, 805, 805.1