

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Code of Student Conduct Memorandum of Understanding

Prince George’s County Public Schools (PGCPS) has adopted the Student Rights and Responsibilities Handbook to ensure schools maintain a safe and orderly environment for students and teachers. The policies and regulations apply to all students while on PGCPS property, which includes: school grounds, school vehicles and during all Board of Education or school related or sponsored activities/events. The offenses listed below are subject to extended suspensions or expulsions.

EXTENDED SUSPENSION			
ALCOHOL/DRUGS	Distributing, selling alcohol/drugs, transferring alcohol/drugs or any alcohol/drug substance to any person with or without the exchange of money. Unauthorized possession or distribution of illegal/imitation drugs, prescription or over the counter medications.		
BULLYING/HARASSMENT	Bullying/harassment that is repeated or continues long term through the Internet or other use of technology.		
PROPERTY	Making a bomb threat or threatening a school with a shooting.	Indicating a warning, fire or other catastrophe without cause.	
PHYSICAL	Physical attack (student or adult), intentionally physically hitting, shoving, pushing, or otherwise attacking another person even if unprovoked.	Causing bodily injury during a fight or intentionally fighting which results in serious bodily injuries.	A physical altercation involving two or more students against another group of students, which causes disruption of the school environment.
	The process of obtaining property from another with/without that person’s consent by wrongful use of force, striking fear or threats of burglary/robbery.	Taking property without the owner’s permission, which is valued greater than \$500.00.	Intentionally causing damage to a school or other’s property.
THREAT	The process of obtaining property from another with/without that person’s consent by wrongful use of force, striking fear or threats of burglary/robbery.	Taking property without the owner’s permission, which is valued greater than \$500.00.	Intentionally causing damage to a school or other’s property.
SEXUAL MISCONDUCT	Engaging in inappropriate behavior of a sexual nature (<i>ex. indecent exposure, sexual activity, soliciting sex, sexting, or repeated sexual harassment.</i>)		
INTERNET/COMPUTER MISUSE	Use of Internet and/or computer resources for purposes other than legitimate educational activity.		

EXPULSION				
ALCOHOL/DRUGS	Distributing, selling alcohol/drugs, transferring alcohol/drugs or any alcohol/drug substance to any person with or without the exchange of money. Unauthorized possession or distribution of illegal/imitation drugs or prescription drugs.			
PHYSICAL	Serious bodily injury or severe physical damage or harm caused to the structure or function of the body caused by an outside agent or force requiring extensive medical treatment or hospitalization. Examples: substantial risk of death, temporary or permanent loss of any body part, unconsciousness, disfigurement and/or prolonged physical pain. Intentionally attacking an adult by physically hitting, shoving, pushing or otherwise attacking another even if unprovoked. Shakedown/strong arm/extortion			
	PROPERTY	Intentionally setting a fire or helping others set a fire with the intent to endanger others.		
WEAPONS	Possession or the use of weapons/instruments used to cause serious bodily harm.	Possessing a firearm (Examples include: handgun, an unloaded/inoperable non-firearm such as a pellet gun or BB gun and a loaded operable non-firearm.)	Possession, distribution, threats and the use of explosives. (Examples include: firecrackers, smoke bombs and flares).	Detonating or threatening to detonate an incendiary or explosive device or material.
	SEXUAL ATTACK	Intentionally engaging in a physical sexual attack on another person.		

By signing below, you acknowledge that (1) you received this information from school staff; (2) understand the offenses that are listed; (3) understand if you violate the above offenses, it will lead to a disciplinary referral, which could result in an extended suspension or expulsion from PGCPS; (4) have been provided an opportunity to ask questions regarding terms or concepts that you do not understand; (5) understand fully what you are signing; and (6) or other misbehavior, if serious enough, can have a severe disciplinary consequence. Failure to sign and return this form to the school does not relieve the student from the responsibility of conforming to this Student Rights and Responsibilities Handbook.

Parent Printed Name

Parent Signature

Date

Student Printed Name

Student Signature

Date