

OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND DISCIPLINE POLICY

STUDENTS RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

DISCIPLINE

Students at Oklahoma School for the Blind shall be treated in a fair and equitable manner during disciplinary proceedings. Disciplinary action will be based on an assessment of the circumstances surrounding each infraction. In determining an appropriate response to student misconduct, the student's attitude, seriousness of the offense and the potential effect on other students shall be considered. The Disciplinary Review Committee has developed a two-level step-by-step process involving Level I, Teacher Intervention and Level II, Administrative Intervention for both minor and major offenses. Listed below are examples of behavior that will be considered unacceptable for students. Appropriate disciplinary action will be taken when students are involved in these behaviors. Acts other than this list may be considered as disruptive to the daily process and the best interest of the student body.

The following behaviors at school, while on school property or while in school vehicles, will result in disciplinary action, which may include detention, in-school suspension, or out-of-school suspension.

1. Arson
2. Attempting to incite or produce imminent violence directed against another person because of his/her race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, disability, gender, or sexual orientation by making or transmitting or causing or allowing to be transmitted, any message by cell phone or computerized or electronic message
3. Cheating
4. Conduct that threatens or jeopardizes the safety of others
5. Sleeping or refusing to work in class
6. Failure to attend assigned detention or other disciplinary assignment without approval
7. Fighting
8. Harassment, intimidation, bullying, including gestures, written or verbal expression, electronic communication, or physical acts
9. Immorality
10. Inappropriate attire
11. Inappropriate behavior or gestures
12. Inappropriate public behavior
13. Indecent exposure

14. Obscene language
15. Physical or verbal abuse
16. Plagiarism
17. Possession of obscene materials
18. Possession, threat or use of a dangerous weapon (bullets, shells, gun powder, guns, or knives)
19. Possessions or use or being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, or illegal chemical substances
20. Profanity
21. Sexual or other harassment of individuals including but not limited to, students, school employees or volunteers
22. Theft
23. Threatening behavior, including gestures, written or verbal expression, electronic communication, or physical acts
24. Use or possession of marijuana, tobacco, or e-cigarettes (vaping) in any form
25. Vandalism
26. Vulgarity
27. Willful damage to school property
28. Willful disobedience

In addition, conduct occurring outside of the normal school day or off school property that has a direct and immediate negative effect on the discipline or educational process, or effectiveness of the school will also result in disciplinary action. This includes, but is not limited to electronic communication, whether such communication originated at school or with school equipment, if the communication is not originated at school or with school equipment, if the communication is specifically directed at students or school personnel and concerns harassment, intimidation or bullying.

In administering discipline, school personnel shall consider alternative methods. Listed below are methods that shall be utilized in the disciplinary process. The school may use other appropriate methods of discipline not included in this list.

1. Warn student
2. Advise parents
3. Assign seats or remove from class
4. Written assignments
5. Detention
6. Financial restitution
7. Suspension
8. Involve law enforcement agencies
9. Refer to appropriate social agency
10. Restriction of privileges