

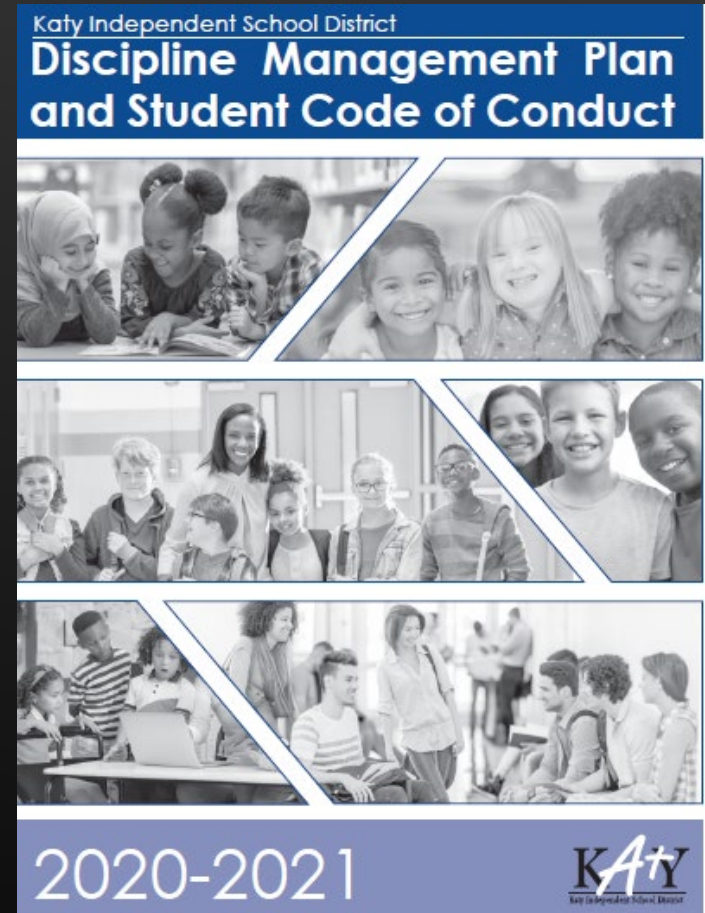
KATY ISD STUDENT DISCIPLINE

High School
2020-2021

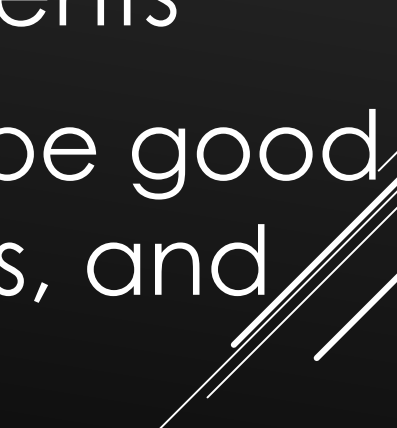


DISCIPLINE MANAGEMENT PLAN AND STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Each student is provided access to the ***Discipline Management Plan and Student Code of Conduct*** on the first day of school. The plan is also available in Spanish.



GOALS FOR DISCIPLINE IN KATY ISD

- To protect the safety and security of all students and staff
 - To maintain a positive learning environment for all students
 - To prepare students to be good citizens, good neighbors, and good employees
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Discipline is an important part of the learning process.


Discipline rules help students to understand the connection between behavior choices and consequences.

Discipline rules help students learn to make good choices.




EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

These activities may establish higher standards of behavior than those specified in the ***Discipline Management Plan and Student Code of Conduct.***



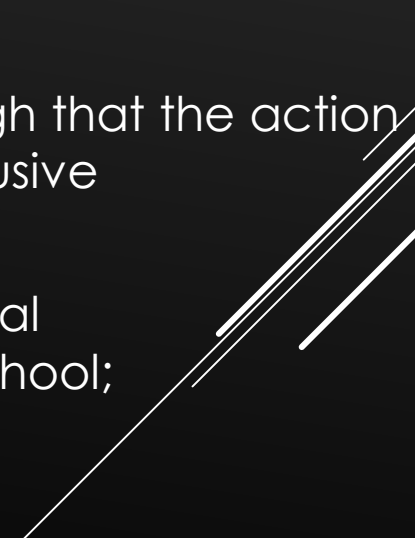
GENERAL DISCIPLINE REMINDERS

The following are examples of behaviors that are **NOT** tolerated:


- Profane, vulgar, obscene, or threatening language or gestures
 - Ethnic, racial, or gender-related slurs
 - Fighting
 - Bullying and/or harassment of any kind
 - Vaping
 - Dress Code Violations – no midriff
 - Wear your ID
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DEFINITION OF BULLYING

“Bullying” is defined as a single significant act or a pattern of acts by one or more students directed at another student that exploits an imbalance of power and involves engaging in written or verbal expression, expression through electronic means, or physical conduct that satisfies the applicability requirements below and that:

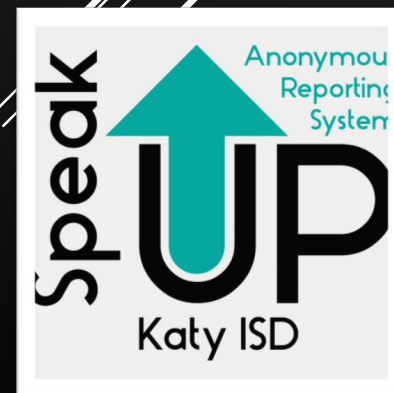
1. Has the effect or will have the effect of physically harming a student, damaging a student's property, or placing a student in reasonable fear of harm to the student's person or of damage to the student's property;
 2. Is sufficiently severe, persistent, or pervasive enough that the action or threat creates an intimidating, threatening, or abusive educational environment for a student;
 3. Materially and substantially disrupts the educational process or the orderly operation of a classroom or school;
or
 4. Infringes on the rights of the victim at school.
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EXPECTATIONS

- All students and employees are expected to treat one another with courtesy and respect.
 - Students are expected to avoid hurtful conduct directed toward another person.
 - Bullying others by using hurtful words, gestures, or other inappropriate actions is prohibited.
 - Students who believe they are being bullied, teased, or harassed are encouraged to report such incidents to a teacher or administrator immediately.
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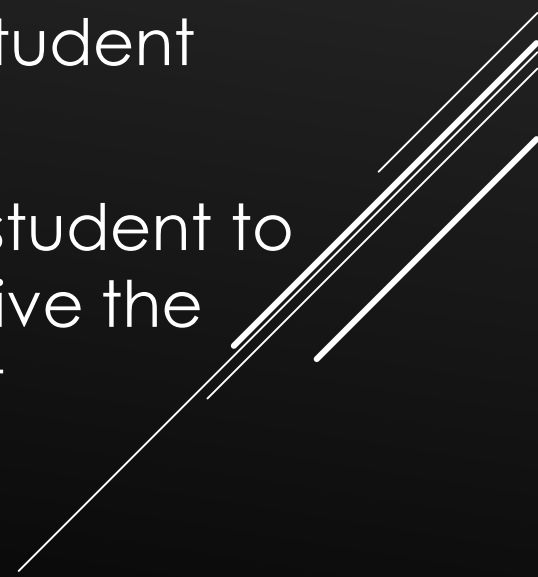
SOCIAL MEDIA, CYBERBULLYING, AND ON-LINE HARASSMENT

- The District encourages students to act responsibly when using social media sites during the school day, at home, or in the community.
- The District does have jurisdiction if such behavior results in an on-campus disruption or interferes with someone's educational opportunities.
- Students and parents can anonymously report any bullying/harassment through SpeakUP on the KatyISD website or the downloaded app.



POSSESSION

A student is considered in possession of an object or substance if the item is:

- on the student's person
 - in the student's personal property (clothing, purse, backpack, etc.)
 - in any school property used by the student (locker, desk, etc.)
 - in any private vehicle driven by the student to school or a vehicle contracted to drive the student to a school sponsored event
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PROHIBITED ITEMS

Do not bring the following items to school:

- Laser pointers
- Cameras, radios, gaming devices or other unauthorized electronic devices for non-authorized activities
- Audio recording devices
- Tobacco products, cigarettes, e-cigarettes and any component, part or accessory for an e-cigarette device or accessory to vaping
- Look-alike weapons
- Using skateboards, roller blades, etc.
- Pornographic or sexually-oriented materials
- Fireworks, stink bombs, or other noxious chemicals


(See the ***Discipline Management Plan and Student Code of Conduct*** for other prohibited items.)




ACCIDENTALLY BRINGING A PROHIBITED ITEM

Students who accidentally bring a prohibited item to school should turn the item in to a teacher or administrator immediately upon discovery - before it is discovered or reported by another person.

Students will not be disciplined the first time an item is accidentally brought to school and turned in unless the item is prohibited by law.




PERSONAL PROPERTY


- Students are discouraged from bringing items of value to school even though they may not be prohibited (i.e. expensive clothing items, jewelry, large amounts of money, electronic devices, etc.)
 - The school cannot be held accountable for these types of items if they are damaged, lost, or stolen.
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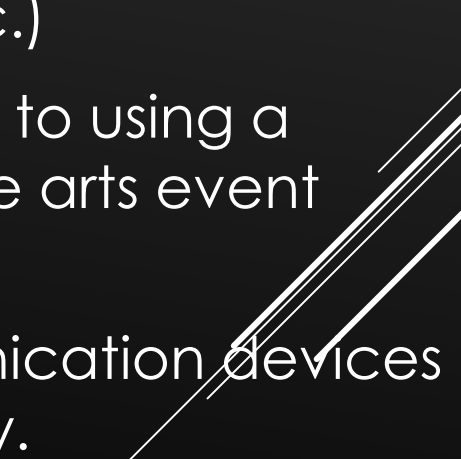
PERSONAL TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICES

High school students may possess telecommunication devices (including cell phones) at school with the following restrictions:




When directed to use telecommunication devices in the instructional setting, devices that include phone and texting features should be set on silent. Students should not use the devices to take or place personal calls or send/receive personal messages during engaged instructional time.




- It is the student's responsibility to keep telecommunication devices secure.
 - During school emergencies, students are asked not to turn telecommunication devices on until the crisis stage is over unless they are instructed to do so by a staff member or emergency responder.
 - Telecommunication devices must be in the "silent" mode inside the venue of an afterschool activity held indoors (i.e. basketball game, choir or band concert, etc.)
 - Students must go into a foyer or outside prior to using a telecommunication devices at an indoor fine arts event where common courtesy dictates quiet.
 - Under no circumstances should telecommunication devices be used to take pictures in any school facility.
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Confiscated telecommunication devices that are capable of taking photographs or text messages may be reviewed in the presence of the student/parent if there is reasonable suspicion that photos or texting were made in violation of these rules.



PRESCRIPTION/ NON-PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS

- All medication should be kept in the clinic
 - Being in possession of a non-prescription medication or one's own prescription medication – Level II
 - Selling, giving, or delivering a non-prescription medication – Level III
 - Selling, giving, or delivering one's own prescription medication to another person – Level IV or V (it becomes an illegal drug)
 - Using or possessing someone else's prescription medication (even a parent's) – Level IV or V (it is an illegal drug if it is not the person's own prescription)
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ALCOHOL, MARIJUANA, CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES, AND DANGEROUS DRUGS

Students who commit alcohol or drug-related offenses are disciplined as follows:

- ***Misdemeanor level offenses*** - mandatory DAEP placement (OAC assignment)
- ***Felony offenses*** - mandatory expulsion to the JJAEP

IDENTIFICATION (ID) BADGES

Students must wear their ID badges at all times during school hours, while on school property.



JURISDICTION

The District has disciplinary authority over a student:

- During the regular school day, while going to and from school on District transportation, and at any time while on school property
- School property is defined as any property belonging to the District.
- While riding on public or private vehicles transporting students to or from school-sponsored or school-related activities
- While participating or attending a school-related activity regardless of time or location
- For any school-related misconduct, regardless of time or location, including retaliation against a school employee or interfering with a school-related activity

TARDIES/TRUANCY

- ▶ A student is considered tardy when the student is not in the proper place with all needed materials before the tardy bell rings.
- ▶ 1-5 Tardies warning, 6-10 = 1 hour ASD
11-15 = 2 hours ASD, 16-20 = 4 hours Sat
21-23 = 1 Day ISS
- ▶ Truancy is checked everyday for every class.
- ▶ Good attendance allows you to exempt a class.

By knowing and following the rules, students help to create a positive learning environment for themselves and others.

