Students

POSITIVE SCHOOL CLIMATE

The School Board desires to provide orderly and caring learning environments in which all students feel comfortable, share the responsibility for maintaining a positive school climate, and take pride in their school and their achievements. The district shall encourage attitudes and behaviors that promote mutual respect and harmonious relations. The schools shall promote nonviolent conflict resolution techniques and provide students opportunities to voice their concerns about school policies and practices. The Superintendent or designee may initiate student courts, campus beautification projects, buddy systems, vandalism prevention campaigns, and other programs in which students may identify and solve problems that affect their school.

The schools shall not tolerate any comments or gestures which are vulgar or obscene or which denigrate others on account of race, religion, color, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, sex, disability or any basis prohibited by law is prohibited. Students shall be subject to disciplinary procedures for harassing, intimidating or bullying other students or for using insults, slurs, or fighting words which may disrupt school activities.

cf. 5131.4 - Campus Disturbances
(cf 5131.43 Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying)
(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

The district staff shall foster positive racial and ethnic identity, help students understand diverse cultures, teach them to think critically about racial bias, and show them how to deal with discriminatory behavior in appropriate ways. The Board encourages the use of cooperative learning strategies in the classroom in order to foster positive social interactions among students.

cf. 6141.6 - Multicultural Education)

School staff shall encourage and recognize success and achievement, participation in community projects, and positive student conduct.

cf. 6142.4 - Community Service

Legal Reference:
ALASKA STATUTES
14.33.200 Harassment, intimidation and bullying policy

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