

Lawrence County School District shall offer any expelled student the opportunity to receive credit through digital learning that is at least equal to the credit had the student remained enrolled.

ANTI-BULLYING POLICY

The Walnut Ridge Elementary School is committed to providing a safe learning environment for each of its students. Student achievement is best attained in an atmosphere that is free from the fear of emotional and physical intimidations and threats. Bullying is a destructive behavior that will erode the foundational principles on which a school is built. This school will not tolerate any behavior that is classified under the definition of bullying and will take steps needed to eliminate such behavior.

Bullying is defined as any written or verbal expression of physical act or gesture, or a pattern thereof, that is intended to cause distress or fear upon one or more students. A student will be found violating this policy if his/her conduct has been found to have the effect of humiliation or embarrassment on a student, and is sufficiently severe, persistent, or pervasive that it limits the student's ability to participate in, or benefit from, an educational program or activity.

A copy of the Lawrence County School District Bullying Policy is available upon request.

POLICIES FOR SCHOOL INTERNET USE

The Internet has become an effective educational tool. A school policy has been implemented to assure proper use. A copy of policy rules and regulations regarding Internet use at school is included in the Student Handbook. A copy of the Internet consent form, signed by both parent/guardian and the student must be on file before the student will be allowed to utilize the Internet.

POLICE DRUG DOG

The Lawrence County School Administration has access to a drug dog. It is a gentle dog used for the purpose of sniffing out drugs. The dog may be used at school from time to time when deemed appropriate by the administration. Students found in possession or whose property contains illegal drugs are subject to discipline policies of the school, as well as the local, state and federal authorities. "Sniffing" by trained dogs in public hallways or autos in public lots is not a search. (The fourth amendment requirements do apply.)

DISTRIBUTION OF LITERATURE

Students shall have the right to distribute and possess literature including, but not limited to, newspapers, magazines, leaflets and pamphlets, except that the district may prohibit specific issues of a specific publication if there is substantial, factual basis to believe its possession or distribution will cause, or is causing, substantial disruption of school activities. The time, place, and the manner of student distribution of literature may be reasonably regulated by the district provided such regulations:

1. Are uniformly applied to all forms of literature.
2. Allow distribution at times and places where no interference with school activities will occur.
3. Are specific as to places where and time where distribution is prohibited.
4. Do not inhibit a person's right to accept or reject any literature distributed in accordance with the rules.

All petitions shall be free of obscenities, libelous statements, and personal attack and shall be within the bounds of reasonable conduct. Petitions must be submitted to and approved by the principal before circulation. Noncompliance with the stated policy will result in disciplinary action. Students signing such petitions shall be free from recrimination or retribution from members of the staff and administration.

Minimum – oral reprimand

Maximum – suspension and/or expulsion