

POLARIS CAREER CENTER HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

In order to establish a proper learning environment, it is necessary to maintain classroom control and school discipline. Polaris constantly strives to make disciplinary decisions that will result in positive student growth. However, certain irresponsible acts can and will result in detentions, emergency removal, out-of-school suspension, expulsion, and/or referral to Juvenile Court. In recognition that any list of prohibited conduct cannot encompass every conceivable action which may be properly subject to discipline, this Polaris Code of Conduct must be interpreted broadly, with substantial discretion in interpretation given to the administrator.

The rules and standards set forth apply to conduct on school premises, on school bus or any other school vehicle owned or leased by Polaris, involving school property, at any school-sponsored event or function, or within sight of school premises and connected to activities or incidents that have occurred on school property. The rules and standards also apply to any misconduct, regardless of where it occurs that is directed at a district employee or the property of such employee.

Violation by a student of any one or more of the following rules of conduct, or to be in conspiracy with others to commit such violations, may result in disciplinary action(s). Disciplinary action will be handled on an individual basis. Appropriate consequences for the individual student will be based on the type of offense, the frequency and the seriousness of the conduct violation, the circumstances of the violation, and the student's behavior history. The determination of what penalty to apply will be made by the appropriate administrator, consistent with Ohio law.

Polaris will honor out-of-school disciplinary removals imposed by the student's district of residence without the need for a separate hearing. Additionally, disciplinary removals will extend to school-assigned work placements, where the work assignment coincides with the date(s) of the removal.

Suspended students may complete assignments for points while they are suspended. These assignments are due to the teacher the day the student returns from suspension. It is the responsibility of the student to email the teacher for assignments as well as turn these assignments in upon return.

CONSEQUENCES

The following discipline management techniques may be used alone or in combination for behavior violations listed in this section of the **Polaris Code of Conduct**. These techniques may also be used for non-code of conduct violations.

1. Verbal correction
2. Cooling-off time or "time out"
3. Seating changes
4. Counseling by teachers, counselors, or administrators
5. Parent-teacher conference
6. Removal from class for a period of time
7. Confiscation of items that disrupt the educational process
8. Withdrawal of rewards
9. Behavioral contracts
10. Alternative Behavior Center (ABC)
11. Assigned school duties other than class tasks
12. Referral to outside agency and/or legal authority
13. Suspension from school
14. Expulsion

DISCRETIONARY INFORMAL REMOVAL

General misconduct violations will not necessarily result in the formal removal of the student from class or another placement. However, they **may** result in a routine referral, formal removal, or the use of any other discipline management technique.

DISCRETIONARY FORMAL REMOVAL

Formal removal will result if the student's behavior has been documented by the teacher as repeatedly interfering with the teacher's ability to teach his or her class or the behavior is so unruly, disruptive, or abusive that the teacher cannot teach.

Any removal of a student by a teacher requires that a student behavior referral be made by the teacher if the student's conduct is a violation of this code.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Students with disabilities are subject to applicable state and federal law in addition to the Polaris Code of Conduct. To the extent any conflict exists, state and/or federal law will prevail.

Students with disabilities will not be removed for a total of more than 10 days without the appropriate procedural safeguards being employed. If a change in placement is determined to be appropriate, the IEP team will review the student's progress and make recommendations regarding

placement. The student's district of residence will be notified and involved in any manifestation hearings and IEP meetings related to a disciplinary removal.

I. MINOR VIOLATIONS

Minor violations are considered breaches of the Polaris Code of Conduct. Minor violations will ordinarily not, in the first instance, result in out-of-school suspension or expulsion from school. Instead, minor violations will ordinarily result, in the first instance, in sanctions such as detentions, in-school suspensions, and other alternatives to out-of-school suspensions. However, conduct that is prohibited both as a minor violation and as a suspension/expulsion violation may subject the student to the greater penalty of out-of-school suspension or expulsion. Additionally, multiple minor violations of different categories, minor violations that are repeated, or a single course of conduct that consists of multiple minor violations may result in out-of-school suspension or expulsion. In all cases, the decision of which penalty to assess is left to the administrator. The following is a list of conduct that will result in minor violations:

1. TARDINESS

Students are tardy when failing to report at a prescribed time and place.

2. TRUANCY

Students are truant when absent from school without school authorization and parent consent. A student may not leave school property during school hours without the permission of his or her parent/guardian or an appropriate school administrator.

Habitual Truant:

- a. Absent 30 or more consecutive hours without a legitimate excuse;
- b. Absent 42 or more hours in one month without a legitimate excuse;
or
- c. Absent 72 or more hours in one year without a legitimate excuse.

Excessive Absence:

- a. Absent 38 or more hours in one school month with or without a legitimate excuse; or
- b. Absent 65 or more hours in one school year with or without a legitimate excuse.

3. CLASS CUTTING

A class is cut when a student fails to report to a class or assigned area.

4. DRIVING AND PARKING REGULATIONS

All students will be expected to abide by the "Student Parking Regulations" outlined in the High School Student and Parent Handbook. Students are not to drive or park on the school premises without having the school-issued permit. Students must park in the student lot only.

If a student drives to school while under a parking revocation, that student may have parking privileges taken away and may incur other disciplinary consequences.

5. ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Use of electronic devices such as cell phones, radio, iPods, MP3 players, etc., is generally restricted to the following: before school, during lunch periods, after school, and **only** in the Commons area. Cell phone or electronic devices use **at any other time** must be approved by school personnel. The administration reserves the right to confiscate any items considered inappropriate for a school setting. Polaris Career Center is not responsible for the loss of electronic devices. See board Policy 5136.01. All use of electronic devices must be appropriate and follow all rules in the student handbook. Use of lewd, vulgar, profane, or harassing language as a method to offend, intimidate, or insult others that results in a substantial disruption to school operations is not permitted. This includes the use of text messaging and/or the creation or modification of a social networking site or electronic account that specifically results in a substantial disruption to school operations. Students are not permitted to video, record, or take pictures during the regular school day without consent from administration.

6. INAPPROPRIATE APPEARANCE OR DRESS

Students are expected to be dressed in clean and appropriate attire for school and school-related activities. Clothing, accessories, and/or hair length that constitutes a safety hazard or makes a statement inappropriate for a school setting or distracts from the educational process will not be permitted. Student dress and appearance will not interfere with the orderly process of education. Students shall be responsible to follow the "Appropriate Dress and Grooming Guidelines" established in the High School Student and Parent Handbook. All Polaris Career Center programs require the wearing of specific uniforms. No jackets may be worn in classrooms or labs however uniform sweatshirts may be worn. Failure to abide by the program uniform rules may result in disciplinary action.

7. INAPPROPRIATE DISPLAY OF AFFECTION

Students are not permitted to display affection in such a manner as to be considered inappropriate or embarrassing to themselves, other students, staff members, or visitors.

8. LEAVING SCHOOL WITHOUT PERMISSION

Students will not leave the school building before dismissal except where school policy otherwise provides or without first obtaining the consent of their parent/guardian or appropriate school administrator.

9. LOITERING

Loitering includes, but is not limited to standing, sitting, or moving through areas of the building (inside or out) that have been designated as off limits or unsupervised; parking areas on the campus, in or out of cars; on streets and areas immediately adjacent to the school; lavatories other than when specifically using these facilities as intended.

10. FAILURE TO FOLLOW SCHOOL RULES AND POLICIES

In recognition that any list of prohibited conduct cannot encompass every conceivable action, which may properly be subject to discipline, the authority to administer discipline for conduct not specifically set forth will be at the discretion of the administrator.

11. BUILDING ENTRY/EXIT PROCEDURES

Students will enter through the main entrance in the front of the building at the start of their school day. Students who enter or allow other students to enter through improper entry ways will be subject to discipline.

II. SUSPENSIONS

The Polaris Administration may suspend a student from school for not more than ten (10) school days. If at the time a suspension is imposed there are fewer than ten (10) school days remaining in the school year in which the incident that gives rise to the suspension takes place, the Administration may apply any remaining part or all of the period of the suspension to the following year. Suspensions may be imposed for violations of the rules and regulations appearing in the Polaris Code of Conduct and Board of Education policies on student behavior.

When a student is being considered for a suspension, the administrator in charge will notify the student of the reason. The student will then be given an opportunity to explain his/her side of the situation.

After that informal meeting, the assistant principal or principal will make a decision whether or not to suspend. If a student is suspended, the district will assume the student has delivered a copy of the *Notice of Possible Suspension* to the parent(s)/guardian(s) within one day of the action. Parents/guardians also will be notified of the suspension by the regular U.S. mail. The suspension may be appealed to the Board of Education's designee within five (5) calendar days after receipt of the suspension notice. The request must be in written form and directed to the assistant superintendent. During the appeal process, the student will serve the consequence as stated.

The appeal shall be conducted in a private meeting and the student may be represented. Given testimony shall be recorded. If the appeal decision is to uphold the suspension, the next step in the appeal process is to the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas.

The student's district of residence will be notified of any out-of-school suspension and the reasons for the suspension. During any out-of-school suspension imposed by Polaris, the student will not be permitted on school grounds, at school events, or school-assigned work placements.

MISCONDUCT FOR WHICH SUSPENSIONS MAY BE IMPOSED

12. ACADEMIC DISHONESTY (CHEATING, PLAGIARISM, COLLUSION)

Under no circumstance will one student obtain and/or use the work of another student (i.e. tests, homework, papers, projects, or any other assignment) or copyrighted materials for which credit will be awarded.

13. UNWANTED PHYSICAL CONTACT

Students will not knowingly cause, attempt to cause, or threaten to cause verbal or physical harm to another student. Students are responsible to resolve personal conflicts in a mature manner. This can be accomplished by discussing issues and problems with counselors or other staff. This contact may include, but is not limited to the following:

Level I – Pushing, shoving, bumping into, grasping or engaging in activities to incite anger or stir up another individual. Physical contact with another person without their permission.

Level II – Involvement in a physical altercation that does not result in injury and is ended by the students themselves.

Level III- Physical altercation that had to be ended by bystanders/school personnel.

14. DISRESPECT TO A STAFF MEMBER

Students talking back to, arguing with, or making disrespectful comments (either verbally or in written form) directed at staff members, or about staff members, are not permitted. All school personnel will be addressed in a proper manner.

15. DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR

Ohio Revised Code (3313.20, 3313.66, 3319.41) and the Board of Education Policy states that school authorities may take disciplinary action with any student whose conduct at any time or in any place interferes with or obstructs the mission or organization of the school district or the safety or welfare of students and employees.

A student found in possession of or using any nuisance object to disrupt school may be subject to discipline (i.e., water pistols, whistles, electronic talking devices, laser pointers).

A student will not, knowingly or with reckless disregard, act or urge other students or persons to act in such a way as to cause, by the use of violence, force, noise, threat, intimidation, passive resistance, or any other conduct, the substantial and material disruption or obstruction of any mission, process, or function of the school district.

16. FAILURE TO ACCEPT/ATTEND ASSIGNED DISCIPLINE

Students will not refuse to accept/attend discipline from administrators, teachers, substitute teachers, educational aides, bus drivers, or other appropriate school personnel. This includes an unexcused absence on the day(s) of assigned discipline.

17. FAILURE TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE/PROVIDING FALSE INFORMATION/LYING

Students are expected to be honest concerning violations of the Polaris Code of Conduct. The procedural steps in due process are a Constitutional safeguard for an individual's rights, but also to help school officials establish the truth about a possible violation of the Polaris Code of Conduct. In establishing the facts concerning an incident, students are expected to cooperate with school officials. Students will not give or assist in giving false or fictitious accounts to any police official, fire official, school official, or other person acting in an official and lawful capacity. Students will not misrepresent the truth either verbally or in writing.

18. FORGERY OR MISREPRESENTATION

Students will not, orally or in writing, use or sign the name of another person, including parents or falsify times, dates, grades, addresses, or other data on school records or in correspondence or other written

material directed to the school or school personnel (i.e., school materials and documents).

19. GAMBLING

Students will not engage in any form of gambling on school premises, including buses, or while at any school-sponsored activity, function, or event.

20. MISUSE OF TECHNOLOGY

Students will not abuse the school district's hardware or software including, but not limited to, the following: tampering with computer programs (when such programs are commercially prepared or belong to another student or faculty member); using equipment to make unauthorized or illegal duplicate copies of computer software; damaging or destroying computer hardware or software; sending network messages to other individuals; and using computer facilities of the school district for purposes unrelated to the instructional program of the district unless written permission from a school official has been obtained. The use of the *Internet* must occur within the guidelines established by the school. Students are solely responsible for any material or data on their computer.

The Board retains the right to monitor any and all student usage of the school district's information technology facilities. This right explicitly includes the right to read students' communications, if any. No students should have any expectation of privacy regarding the use of the school district's information technology facilities. No student will violate the Board's Technology Use Policy.

Student Owned/Licensed

Students are not permitted to send, share, or post information, pictures or material obtained while at Polaris Career Center on any electronic device, hard copy or on the Internet.

21. SEXTING

Students will not send, share, view or possess pictures, text messages, e-mails or other material of a sexual nature in electronic or any other form on a cell phone, or other electronic device.

22. INSUBORDINATION, DEFIANCE OF SCHOOL PERSONNEL/AUTHORITY, NOT FOLLOWING DIRECTIONS

Students are considered to be insubordinate by disregarding or refusing to obey reasonable requests or directions given by school personnel.

23. PUBLICATIONS

The following are unacceptable items in a publication on school property or at any school sponsored event, whether or not the publication is school sponsored:

- Defamatory statements.
- So-called "hate" literature which attacks ethnic, religious, gender, disabilities, or racial groups.
- Publications aimed at disrupting order or discipline in school or creating hostility or violence or violation of school policy or civil law.
- Obscene, pornographic or vulgar material or material which contains lewd or vulgar language.
- Materials denigrating to specific individuals in or out of school or which invade the rights of others.
- Material that promotes drug/alcohol/tobacco use

24. USE OF TOBACCO/NICOTINE PRODUCTS

Use of tobacco/nicotine products is prohibited. Students are not to possess and/or use tobacco/nicotine or tobacco/nicotine-like products on school property or at a school-sponsored activity or event.

Smoking, possessing a lighted or unlighted cigarette or e-cigarette, as well as, chewing, spitting or possessing a tobacco/nicotine substance will constitute a use of tobacco/nicotine substance.

A. Vaping/Vaping Devices/Vape Paraphernalia

Students are not permitted to possess or use vaping products on school property or at a school-sponsored activity or event. Smoking, possessing vaping devices/vape juice/ and other vaping paraphernalia will constitute a use of tobacco/nicotine products. Students smoking/possessing vapes may be required to submit a drug test.

25. UNAUTHORIZED USE/POSSESSION OF A FLAMMABLE OBJECT

Students will not cause any flame, spark, or other form of fire to be ignited without the proper authorization to do so. Students will not have in their possession any objects (i.e., lighters, matches, etc.) that could produce a flame or spark.

26. UNSAFE BEHAVIOR/HORSEPLAY IN THE LAB OR SCHOOL

Students will not behave in such a way that would disrupt the educational process or interfere with the education of others or cause an unsafe condition in the lab. No student will interfere with or cause harm to the work/equipment/project of another student in the lab.

27. USE OF PROFANE, VULGAR, OR ABUSIVE LANGUAGE OR GESTURES

Students will not use profane, vulgar, or abusive language, or gestures.

III. EXPULSIONS

The Polaris superintendent may expel a student from school attendance for a period not to exceed the greater of 80 school days or the number of school days remaining in the semester or term in which the incident that gives rise to the expulsion takes place. If at the time an expulsion is imposed there are fewer than 80 school days remaining in the school year in which the incident that gives rise to the expulsion takes place, the superintendent or his/her designee may apply any remaining part or all of the period of the expulsion to the following year.

Any act that would be a criminal offense when committed by an adult, that results in serious physical harm to persons or property, (as defined by Section 2901.01 of the Ohio Revised Code) may subject the offender to expulsion of up to one year. Additionally, violations of the weapons in schools policy may result in expulsion of up to one year. This list is not all-inclusive.

Expulsion may be imposed for violations of rules and regulations appearing in the Polaris Code of Conduct or in Board of Education policies.

When a student is being considered for expulsion, the student will receive a formal letter of notification addressed to the parent(s)/guardian(s) and the student. The district will assume the student has given the letter of notification to the parent(s)/guardian(s). A notice of the recommended expulsion also will be mailed to the parent(s) guardian(s) and the student by mail. Students being considered for expulsion may or may not be removed immediately. A formal hearing is scheduled with the superintendent or his designee during which time the student may be represented by his/her parent(s)/guardian(s), legal counsel and/or by a person of his/her choice. This is a formal exclusion from school, school activities, and school property for period of up to 80 school days or 180 school days. It is issued by the Office of the Superintendent upon the recommendation of a school administrator (principal or unit principal). The decision can be appealed to the Board of Education. Parents/guardians are notified of an expulsion in writing.

A student or a student's parent(s) may appeal the expulsion by the Superintendent to the Board or its designee. The expulsion appeal must be within 14 calendar days after the notice of intent to expel was provided to the student, parent, guardian or custodian. The appeal request shall be in writing to the Treasurer. The student may be represented in all such appeal

proceedings and is granted a hearing before the Board or its designee. All witnesses are sworn, and a verbatim record is kept of the hearing. The decision of the Board shall be acted upon at a public meeting. The student may be excluded from school during the appeal process.

The student's district of residence will be notified of any expulsion and the reasons for the expulsion. During any expulsion imposed by Polaris, the student will not be permitted on school grounds, at school events, or school-assigned work placements.

MISCONDUCT FOR WHICH EXPULSIONS MAY BE IMPOSED

28. UNWANTED PHYSICAL CONTACT/VIOLENT BEHAVIOR OR THREATENING A STAFF MEMBER

Students are not to come into physical contact with staff members at any time. Students are not to knowingly by word, action or gesture cause, attempt to cause, intimidate or threaten to cause physical harm to a staff member, or behave in such a way that could recklessly cause serious physical harm to a staff member. (ORC 2903.13) Violation of this rule will result in suspension and recommendation for expulsion. Students are expected to respect all staff members and administrators who work at Polaris Career Center.

29. DANGEROUS INSTRUMENTS/WEAPONS AND LOOK-ALIKES

Students will be expected to keep all dangerous instruments or instruments that look to be dangerous off school property. A student will not possess, handle, transmit, or conceal any object, which a reasonable person might consider capable of harming a person or property including but not limited to guns, pocketknives, sharp metal objects, or foreign objects such as tools that could be used to inflict harm or damage property. No personal safety devices including but not limited to pepper gas, mace, stun guns may be brought to school or be in the possession of a student.

30. FALSE ALARM (i.e., FIRE, BOMB THREATS, 911)

Students will not attempt to disrupt school in any manner by illegally pulling or attempting to pull a fire alarm, calling in a bomb threat, or falsely calling Emergency 911.

31. VIOLENT BEHAVIOR/FIGHTING

Students will not knowingly cause physical harm to another student, or behave in such a way that could recklessly cause serious physical harm to another student. (ORC 2903.13) Fighting includes, but is not limited to, planning and engaging in physical actions (i.e., pushing, shoving, slapping, hitting) that cause physical injury to another person.

32. HARASSMENT/BULLYING/CYBER BULLYING

Students will not engage in or encourage harassment. Harassment on the basis of race, national origin, religion, disability, gender, and age includes such conduct as slurs, jokes, or any other verbal or physical attack that (1) has the purpose or effect of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment; (2) has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's performance; or (3) otherwise adversely affects an individual's opportunities or participation in the educational environment.

The Board of Education views harassment and bullying as a form of discrimination. Harassment, bullying or cyber-bullying is defined as one of the following:

1. Intimidation by threats of or actual physical violence; the creation, by whatever means of a climate of hostility or intimidation; or the use of language, conduct or symbols in such a manner as to be commonly understood to convey hatred, contempt, or prejudice or to have the effect of insulting or stigmatizing an individual.
2. Violence within a dating relationship. Dating violence is defined as a pattern of behavior where a person uses or threatens physical, sexual, verbal, or emotional abuse to control the person's dating partner. A dating partner is any person, regardless of gender, involved in an intimate relationship with another person primarily characterized by the expectation of affectionate involvement whether casual, serious or long term.
3. Any act falling under the provisions of the Jessica Logan Act found on page 18 of this handbook.

Any student who believes he or she has been harassed should contact a teacher, counselor, or administrator. All complaints will be investigated as in accordance with Board Policy. Harassment away from school of students or school employees may be considered a violation of this policy.

33. HAZING or THREATENING, DEGRADING, and DISGRACEFUL ACTS

A student or group of students will not subject any other student to act or participate in any act/acts that injures, degrades, disgraces, or tends to injure, degrade, or disgrace any student. A student will not, while on school property, under school authority (including school vehicles), or while at any school-sponsored activity, function, or event, engage or threaten to engage in any act or conduct which causes

another person to reasonably believe that such student will cause physical harm to the person or property of such other person.

Polaris Career Center Board Policy - Hazing/Anti Hazing

Hazing activities of any type are inconsistent with the educational process and will be prohibited at all times. No student, including leaders of student organizations, may plan, encourage or engage in any hazing.

Hazing is defined as doing any act of coercing another, including the victim, to do or initiate any act to any student or other organization that causes or creates a substantial risk of causing mental or physical harm to any person. Permission, consent or assumption of risk by an individual subjected to hazing does not lessen the prohibition contained in this policy.

All hazing incidents will be reported immediately to the principal. The school district will discipline or take appropriate action against any student, teacher, administrator, volunteer, contractor or other district employee who is found to have violated this policy.

34. MISCONDUCT AWAY FROM SCHOOL

Students will be expected to abide by all rules and regulations when attending school functions or school-sponsored activities on or off school property.

35. REPEATED OR CONTINUED VIOLATION OF MINOR SCHOOL CONDUCT RULES OR RULES FOR WHICH SUSPENSION MAY BE IMPOSED

If, after out-of-school suspension, a student continues to violate the minor school conduct rules, expulsion may result as the next step. Additionally, a student who has been suspended may be expelled for new suspendable conduct after having served an out-of-school suspension.

36. SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Sexual harassment is defined as unwelcome sexual conduct, especially that which unreasonably interferes with an individual's school performance or creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment.

Sexual harassment includes, but is not limited to, unwanted sexual advances, which may be verbal, visual, or physical; verbal abuse; making suggestive comments, demands, or gestures of a sexual nature; propositioning; making threats of reprisal or actual reprisal after a sexual proposition is refused; unwanted physical touching;

showing sexual pictures, cartoons, drawings, devices or materials; making lewd sexual insults or comments; applying subtle or overt forms of pressure for sexual activity or conduct; physical aggressiveness such as touching, pinching, and patting; writing sexually suggestive notes, letters, or comments; spreading unsubstantiated or malicious comments of a sexual nature about another person. Harassment away from school of students or school employees may be considered a violation of this policy. Any student who believes he or she has been harassed should contact a teacher, counselor, or school administrator.

37. SEXUAL MISCONDUCT

Students will not engage in any sexual conduct, exposure, or sexual contact while on school premises, under school authority (including buses), or while at any school-sponsored activity, function, or event.

38. POSSESSION/SUBSTANCE ABUSE (ALCOHOL, DRUGS, AND/OR COUNTERFEIT CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES)

Students will not possess, use, inhale, transmit, conceal, or distribute any mood altering substance of any kind including, but not limited to, any narcotic drugs, hallucinogenic drugs, amphetamines, barbiturates, marijuana, CBD products, steroids, alcoholic beverages, counterfeit controlled substances, look-alikes, over-the-counter drugs, and harmful intoxicants. Students may also not possess, use, transmit, conceal or distribute any drug abuse instrument or drug paraphernalia including but not limited to syringes, rolling papers, bongos, roach clips, razor blades, pipes, or snorting spoons.

Since the use or possession of drugs or evidence of alcohol within the school day or at school-sponsored activities is strictly prohibited, no student or participant in a school-related program, activity, or service may participate in such program, activity, or service if the student(s) show evidence of consumption or are in possession of alcohol or drugs.

39. THEFT OF PROPERTY

Students will not take, attempt to take, or have in his or her possession the property of another without permission of the owner. Personal property found on Polaris premises must be turned in to the High School Office in a timely manner. Failure to do so may be considered theft.

40. TRESPASSING ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

Students are not permitted to enter upon the grounds or premises of the student's regularly assigned school, or any other assigned school, without the express permission of an administrator when the student has been placed on suspension, expulsion, or removal.

41. VANDALISM OR DAMAGE TO PRIVATE, PERSONAL OR SCHOOL PROPERTY

Students are expected to respect the personal property of other students and staff members at Polaris Career Center. Students will respect the public property owned by the community and the Polaris Career Center Board of Education. A student who knowingly or with reckless disregard causes or attempts to cause damage to private or personal property of others, while under school authority (including buses), will be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with State Law ORC 2090.05. Parents and students may be liable for payment for the cost to repair or replace any such property damage.

42. VIOLATIONS OF STATE OR FEDERAL LAWS ON SCHOOL PREMISES OR AT SCHOOL-SPONSORED ACTIVITIES

A student who violates any law or ordinance when on school premises, while under school authority (including buses), or at any school-sponsored activity, function, or event will be subject to this discipline code and a police report will be made.

DISCLAIMER

In accordance with Title VI of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Title IX of the Education Amendments, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Polaris Career Center’s policy prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including sexual orientation and transgender identity), disability, age, religion, military status, ancestry, genetic information (collectively, “Protected Classes”), or any other legally protected category, in its programs and activities, including employment opportunities.

The Board does not discriminate on the basis of legally acquired genetic information.

If you are having a problem or have questions or concerns regarding compliance with Title IX or Section 504, contact:

Assistant Superintendent
Title IX and Section 504 Coordinator
440.891.7745

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