

VANDALISM

Every citizen of the Columbia Local School District, students, and members of the police department are urged by the Board to cooperate in reporting any incidents of vandalism to property belonging to the district and the name(s) of the person(s) believed to be responsible. Each employee of the district will report to the Principal of the school every incident of vandalism known to him/her and, if known, the names of those responsible.

The Board may offer a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person who steals or damages Board property.

The Superintendent is authorized to sign a criminal complaint and to press the charges against perpetrators of vandalism against school property.

Any student found guilty of causing or attempting damage to school property, or to private property on school grounds, at any time, or at a school-sponsored activity, on or off school property, shall be removed from the setting immediately. The student is to be placed on a home-referral basis until a parent conference can be conducted to determine a final resolution.

Parents and students are made aware of the legal implications involving vandalism. Parents are liable up to the amount provided by law – OR – for up to \$10,000 plus court costs for the willful destruction of property by a minor in their custody or control. If parents are found liable for monetary damages and are unable to make restitution, the Board may allow the parents to perform community service for the District instead of repayment of the damages.

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