

~~Student Control~~ **Student Behavior – J-140**

Overview

~~The Southborough Public Schools encourage development of self-discipline as the primary control of student behavior.~~ The Southborough Public Schools believe that all students deserve every opportunity to achieve academic success in a safe, secure learning environment. Good citizenship in school is based on respect and consideration for the rights of others. Students will be expected to conduct themselves in a way that the rights and privileges of others are not violated. They will be required to respect constituted authority, to conform to school rules and to those provisions of law that apply to their conduct.

~~Role of Teachers~~ **Educators and Administration**

~~Teachers are expected to pursue accepted appropriate techniques in securing order.~~

~~Corporal punishment is prohibited in this system.~~ State law provides that the power of the School Committee or of any teacher or other employee or agent of the Committee to maintain discipline on school property shall not include the right to inflict corporal punishment upon any student.

Legal Reference: M.G.L. Chapter 71, Section 37G

Adopted:	September 21, 1966
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Admission of Children of Potential Residents – J-150

Overview

This policy presents the conditions under which children of ~~potential~~ **perspective** residents may attend school.

Description of Conditions

Children of potential residents may attend school in the District subject to the following conditions:

- ~~Parents must present clear and documented evidence of intent to reside in the District, such as a signed purchase and sale agreement.~~
- Parents must document to the satisfaction of the Superintendent that they will be permanently residing in the District within sixty calendar days from the time students enter school
- Acceptance of students is for a sixty day time period. **Parents must provide evidence to the satisfaction of the Superintendent that they are residing in the District.** If the time period expires or it appears that the parents will not be residing in the District, the Superintendent may decide not to grant an extension of time. ~~The Committee or~~ **The Superintendent** reserves the right to notify the parents that the student will no longer be entitled to attend school in the District. ~~The decision of the School Committee or the Superintendent is final and binding.~~

Additional Guidelines

~~In accordance with the 'school choice' law, tuition is waived. If the law changes or~~ **If** the school district accepts the 'school choice' law, the District reserves the right to charge tuition.

A copy of this policy is given to the parent or guardian at the time of registration of the student.

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Child Abuse and Neglect- J-250

Overview

This policy follows ~~General Laws Chapter 115, Section 51-A~~ **M.G.L. c. 119 s 51A**, and is for purposes of protecting children and to prevent further neglect or abuse, not to punish parents. Inherent in the law is the understanding that in many cases, the best way to help children is to help their families.

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When making a report, professional staff notifies the Principal or designee. The matter is immediately reported to the appropriate state agency by the Principal or designee and consistent with current statutes and regulations. The Superintendent is also notified immediately of any report made to a state agency.

The Superintendent or designee develops a reporting process consistent with statute and informs all professional staff of this process on an annual basis.

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