

PUBLIC CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

Principals shall establish administrative procedures requiring all visitors to register at the school office on arrival. Any person found to be engaged in or advocating illegal activity while on school property shall be reported by the principal to the Albemarle County Police Department.

Anyone who goes on school property after having been forbidden officially to do so, either orally or in writing, or by a sign posted on the property, shall be charged with trespassing.

It is against the law for anyone without authorized consent to go upon any school property after dark for any purpose other than to attend a meeting held on school property. Any person committing such an act in violation of Virginia Code §18.2-128 shall be charged with trespassing.

Any person who willfully and maliciously damages, destroys or defaces any school building, or willfully and maliciously damages or removes any school property from a school building in violation of Virginia Code §18.2-138 shall be prosecuted.

No one may possess or consume alcoholic beverage in or on the grounds of any public school during school hours or school or student activities. In addition, no one may consume, and no organization shall serve any alcoholic beverage in or on the grounds of any public school after school hours or school or student activities, except for religious congregations using wine for sacramental purposes only. Any person who willfully, or while intoxicated, disturbs the normal operation of any school in violation of Virginia Code §18.2-415 shall be prosecuted.

In accordance with Policy KGC Use of Tobacco and Electronic Cigarettes on School Premises, smoking and the use of electronic cigarettes is not permitted in schools or school vehicles.

Any person found to be engaged in or advocating illegal activity while on school property, including school buses, shall be reported by the principal to the local law enforcement authorities.

Any person who willfully and maliciously damages, destroys, or defaces any school division building, or damages or removes any school property from a school building, will be required to compensate the school division and may be prosecuted.

Principals are lawfully in charge of and responsible for the general supervision of the buildings and grounds of their schools, as well as their use and care. Any act which is disruptive to the normal operation of a school and constitutes disorderly conduct under Virginia Code §18.2-415 is unlawful and shall be dealt with accordingly. To enforce compliance with the state laws, a principal may call upon the Albemarle County Police Department for assistance. All unauthorized entry upon or use of buildings and grounds, vandalism, or disturbance shall be reported to the Albemarle County Police Department. The Albemarle County Police Department will be the primary law enforcement agency for County-owned property within the City of

Charlottesville. In the event there is a call for service at County facilities, a County police officer will be dispatched to handle the incident.

Each student shall be required to reimburse the board for any actual breakage or destruction of property done by the student.

The use, service, sale, or possession of alcoholic beverages is prohibited at all times on any school property except for the use of sacramental wine, as permitted by Virginia Code §4.1-309.

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