

805 - Safe School Policy

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In order to maintain a safe learning environment, free from unnecessary disruption, employees and students at GWA are expected to follow accepted rules of conduct while demonstrating respect for faculty, staff, and other students. Refusal to act in an appropriate manner will lead to disciplinary action, up to and including suspension or expulsion.

A partial list of actions that could lead to possible suspension or expulsion is provided below. In addition, the GWA Principal and Board of Directors reserve the right to consider and implement suspension or expulsion of a student for any actions considered detrimental to the safety of students, faculty or staff, or school property.

- Frequent or flagrant disobedience to, or defiance of, school authority.
- Disruptive behavior, including the use of profane, vulgar, or abusive language.
- Willful destruction or defacing of school property.
- Actions, real or threatened, posing a threat to the health or safety of others.
- Bullying; emotional, physical or sexual harassment.
- Possession or use of pornographic material on school property.
- Possession or use of alcohol, tobacco or illegal drugs on school property.
- Identification or association with gangs.
- Possession or threatened use of a weapon, explosive, or noxious or flammable material.

Suspension and expulsion are last resorts. Except in the case of serious infractions, effort will be made to implement a discipline plan allowing the student to remain in school. This may include in-school suspension, attendance by a parent or guardian in class with the student, or other options as determined by the principal.

Students suspended from school are given the opportunity to make-up missed work. It is the responsibility of the student's parent(s), to contact their child's teacher(s) to obtain missed assignments, tests, and other classroom work.