

Downey Unified School District

STUDENTS

AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY (Standards of Behavior)
(Cross Reference: AR 2411.1 and AR 2411.2)

AR 2412

Superintendent of Schools

The Superintendent shall exercise leadership in establishing procedures to carry out the policies of the Board of Education. He/she shall encourage a program of continuous study and evaluation of student behavior. He/she shall hold all school personnel, students, and parents responsible for supporting the policies of the Board and the administrative regulations relating to the conduct of the students. He/she shall support all school personnel acting within the framework of District policies.

Principals

Each school principal shall be responsible to the Superintendent for student control in his/her school and for all personnel within his/her jurisdiction. He/she shall have the responsibility and authority to carry out District policies and regulations. The principal shall have the responsibility of informing faculty, staff members, students, and their parents of regulations concerning all aspects of the school program relating to student behavior. He/she shall have the use of all available specialized services of the District.

Teachers

Teachers shall be responsible to the principal for the effective control of all students under their immediate supervision and for other students who are so situated as to be physically subject to their control. Teachers shall enforce the rules and regulations of the schools and shall support their principals in enforcing District policies. They shall consult with the principal concerning all serious or willful acts of misconduct by students and other persons.

Teachers have freedom to use a variety of procedures in the disciplining of students, such as

1. Requiring attendance at detention.
2. Giving special assignments relative to educational deficiencies of the students.
3. Withholding privileges.

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4. Sending students to the principal or delegated authority.
5. Lowering of citizenship marks.
6. Suspending students from class in accordance with AR 2430.

Teachers should be ever mindful that generally parents are their greatest resource in maintenance of standards of pupil behavior and in reestablishment of acceptable behavior in those cases where student performance is less than satisfactory.

Students

All students shall comply with the regulations, pursue the required course of study, and submit to the authority of the teachers and staff of the school. They shall also be expected to conform to the laws of the community, state, and nation. They shall be encouraged, through student government and other types of student activities appropriate to their levels of maturity, to assume responsibility for controlling their own conduct (self-discipline).

Parents/guardians

Parents/guardians shall be held responsible for the willful misbehavior of their children as provided in the Education Code. Parents/guardians are expected to cooperate fully with the school authorities, including the participation in conferences regarding the progress, adjustment, and behavior of their children when these are deemed necessary.

Parents/guardians shall be held financially responsible for school property lost, damaged, or destroyed by their children.

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