

Code: **ECAB**
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Vandalism/Malicious Mischief/Theft

Students and citizens are urged to cooperate in reporting any incidents of vandalism/malicious mischief/theft and the name or names of the person or persons believed to be responsible.

Each district employee will report to the principal or other person in authority incidents of vandalism/malicious mischief/theft and the name of the person or persons responsible, if known.

Principals will submit a report of any vandalism/malicious mischief/theft or damage to their buildings, to the superintendent. The superintendent will report to the Board regarding major vandalism/malicious mischief/theft or damage to district property.

The district may offer a reward to an individual(s) who provides information that results in the apprehension of a person(s) guilty of vandalism/malicious mischief/theft or other criminal acts against the district. The amount of reward shall be determined by the superintendent on a case-by-case basis within any guidelines set by the Board.

The superintendent is authorized to sign a criminal complaint and to press charges against those committing acts of vandalism/malicious mischief/theft of or against district property. Because incidents of willful or malicious abuse, destruction, defacing and theft of district property are clearly contrary to the best interests of the district and injurious to the rights and welfare of the entire community, it is the policy of the Board to seek all legal remedies against persons found to have committed such acts. Full restitution for the damage will be sought from such persons, or, in the case of minors, from their parents. Grade reports, diplomas and records may be withheld for failure to make restitution for assessed damages. Records requested by another school district to determine a student's appropriate placement may not be withheld.

Students who willfully destroy district property through vandalism/malicious mischief/theft or arson, who commit larceny or who create a hazard to the safety of other people on district property will be disciplined in accordance with state law and the Board's policy on student suspensions/expulsions and referred to law enforcement authorities.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

