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Description: This document is intended to serve as a guide to help school administrators in thorough and timely documentation of disciplinary incidents by students.

Behavior Code	Disciplinary Response							Additional Information
		Classroom Response	School Based Response	In School Suspension	Short Term Suspension	Long Term Suspension	Expulsion	
Academic Dishonesty/ Plagiarism	Elementary	✓	✓					
	Middle School	✓	✓					
	High School	✓	✓					
Arson	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			Referral to Fire Stoppers (206-386-1338)
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	High School		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Assault	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			See also Physical Aggression
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	High School		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
(Physical)Aggression	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			Appropriate to Consider Pre K-12
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓			
	High School		✓	✓	✓			
Computer Misuse, Tampering, and Tresspass	Elementary	✓	✓	✓	✓			See also Distruptive Conduct
	Middle School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	High School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Dangerous Weapons	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			Consult with Safety & Security (206-252-0707), Consult with Discipline/Behavior Office (206-252-0822)
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	High School		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Discriminatory Harassment	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			Consult with OSCR/HIB (206-252-0306) See also Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	High School		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Disobedience	Elementary	✓	✓					Pre K -5 Not Eligible for Suspension
	Middle School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	High School	✓	✓	✓	✓			

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Disruptive Conduct	Elementary	✓	✓					Pre K -5 Not Eligible for Suspension
	Middle School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	High School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Distributing Alcoholic Beverages	Elementary			✓	✓			Consult with Prevention/Intervention (206-252-0859), Drug/Alcohol Mediation Eligible
	Middle School			✓	✓	✓	✓	
	High School			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Distributing Illegal Drugs, Controlled Substances, Prescription or Over the Counter Drugs	Elementary			✓	✓			Consult with Prevention/Intervention (206-252-0859), Drug/Alcohol Mediation Eligible
	Middle School			✓	✓	✓	✓	
	High School			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Distributing Marijuana	Elementary			✓	✓			Consult with Prevention/Intervention (206-252-0859), Drug/Alcohol Mediation Eligible
	Middle School			✓	✓	✓	✓	
	High School			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Extortion, Blackmail, Coercion	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	High School		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
False Alarm	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓			
	High School		✓	✓	✓			
False Reporting	Elementary	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	Middle School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	High School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
False Threats	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓			
	High School		✓	✓	✓			

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Fighting	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓	✓		
	High School		✓	✓	✓	✓		
Firearms	Elementary						✓	Mandatory Expulsion from SPS for One Year
	Middle School						✓	
	High School						✓	
Fireworks, Explosives, Chemicals, and Incendiary Devices	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	High School		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Gambling	Elementary	✓	✓					
	Middle School	✓	✓					
	High School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Graffiti	Elementary	✓	✓	✓				
	Middle School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	High School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying	Elementary	✓	✓					Pre K -5 Not Eligible for Suspension Consult with OSCR/HIB, 206-252-0306
	Middle School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	High School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Hate Group Activity	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			
	Middle School			✓	✓	✓	✓	
	High School			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Hazing	Elementary			✓	✓			Consult with OSCR/HIB (206-252-0306) See also Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying
	Middle School			✓	✓	✓	✓	
	High School			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Inappropriate Language	Elementary	✓	✓					Consult with OSCR/Title IX (206-252-0367) See also Threats of Violence
	Middle School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	High School	✓	✓	✓	✓			

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Inappropriate Touching	Elementary	✓	✓					Consult with OSCR/Title IX (206-252-0367) See also Sexual Assault
	Middle School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	High School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Interference with School Authorities	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓	✓		
	High School		✓	✓	✓	✓		
Intimidation of School Authorities	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	High School		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Lewd Conduct	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			Consult with OSCR/Title IX (206-252-0367) See also Inappropriate Touching; Sexual Assault; Sexual Harassment
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓			
	High School		✓	✓	✓			
Malicious Property Damage	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓			
	High School		✓	✓	✓			
Misrepresentation	Elementary		✓	✓				
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓			
	High School		✓	✓	✓			
Other Exceptional Misconduct	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			Must meet criteria for a felony, gross misdemeanor, or misdemeanor
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓			
	High School		✓	✓	✓			
Possessing or Using Alcoholic Beverages	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			Consult with Prevention/Intervention (206-252-0859), Drug/Alcohol Mediation Eligible
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓	✓		
	High School		✓	✓	✓	✓		

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Possessing or Using Illegal Drugs, Controlled Substances, Prescription or Over the Counter Drugs	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			Consult with Prevention/Intervention (206-252-0859), Drug/Alcohol Mediation Eligible
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓	✓		
	High School		✓	✓	✓	✓		
Possession or Using Marijuana	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			Consult with Prevention/Intervention (206-252-0859), Drug/Alcohol Mediation Eligible
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓	✓		
	High School		✓	✓	✓	✓		
Possession or Using Tobacco	Elementary		✓					Provide with Tobacco or Vape Fact Sheet, Consult with Prevention/Intervention (206-252-0859)
	Middle School		✓					
	High School		✓					
Possession of Stolen Property	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓			
	High School		✓	✓	✓			
Robbery	Elementary			✓	✓			
	Middle School			✓	✓	✓	✓	
	High School			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Rule Breaking	Elementary	✓	✓					Pre K -5 Not Eligible for Suspension
	Middle School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	High School	✓	✓	✓	✓			

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Selling Alcoholic Beverages	Elementary				✓			Consult with Prevention/Intervention (206-252-0859), Drug/Alcohol Mediation Eligible
	Middle School					✓	✓	
	High School					✓	✓	
Selling Illegal Drugs, Controlled Substances, Prescription or Over the Counter Drugs	Elementary				✓			Consult with Prevention/Intervention (206-252-0859), Drug/Alcohol Mediation Eligible
	Middle School					✓	✓	
	High School					✓	✓	
Selling Marijuana	Elementary				✓			Consult with Prevention/Intervention (206-252-0859), Drug/Alcohol Mediation Eligible
	Middle School					✓	✓	
	High School					✓	✓	
Sexual Assault	Elementary				✓			Consult with OSCR/Title IX (206-252-0367) Consider referral to outside agency for assessment of needs See also Inappropriate Touching; Lewd Conduct; Sexual Harassment
	Middle School					✓	✓	
	High School					✓	✓	
Sexual Harassment	Elementary	✓	✓					Consult with OSCR/Title IX (206-252-0367) See also Inappropriate Touching; Lewd Conduct; Sexual Assault
	Middle School	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	High School	✓	✓	✓	✓			

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Theft	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓			
	High School		✓	✓	✓			
Threats of Violence	Elementary			✓	✓			Consult with Behavior/Discipline Office (206-252-0822)
	Middle School			✓	✓	✓	✓	
	High School			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Trespass	Elementary		✓	✓	✓			
	Middle School		✓	✓	✓			
	High School		✓	✓	✓			