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Superintendent's Acknowledgment

Dear Student and Parent/Guardian:

As required by State Law, the Board of Trustees has officially adopted the Student Code of Conduct in order to promote a safe and orderly learning environment for every student.

We urge you to read this publication thoroughly and to discuss it with your family. If you have any questions about required conduct and consequences for misconduct, we encourage you to ask for an explanation from the student's teacher or campus administrator.

Your child's digital enrollment packet includes an acknowledgment option that allows for electronic distribution of the Student Code of Conduct. It is your responsibility to: 1) sign and submit the acknowledgment form and 2) access the Student Code of Conduct. To receive your copy electronically, visit the Fort Worth ISD website at www.fwisd.org/conduct.

To obtain a paper copy instead, please visit the administrative office at your child's school. In the event you are unable to sign the digital form, the student, parent and/or guardian may sign the acknowledgment form on the next page and return it to your campus main office.

Thank you.

Angélica M. Ramsey, Ed.D.

Superintendent of Schools

General Overview

Purpose

Fort Worth ISD Board of Education

The Board of Trustees adopted this Student Code of Conduct (SCC) to promote a safe, secure, and optimal learning environment for all students. Inside you will find information regarding:

- The District-wide discipline management plan,
- A description of prohibited conduct,
- The disciplinary options, methods, and consequences for preventing and addressing student misconduct, and
- The process the District will follow when administering disciplinary consequences.

If there is a conflict between the SCC and the Student Handbook, the terms of the SCC will control. If there is a conflict between the SCC and local District policy, the more recently adopted item will control.

Additional Rules

Students may be subject to campus, classroom, transportation, extracurricular, and/or organization rules in addition to those found in the SCC. Students may face consequences under these additional rules as well as possible disciplinary action under the SCC. Further, to the extent a student engages in misconduct that is not specifically addressed in the SCC, the student may still be disciplined if the misconduct threatens students or staff or disrupts or interferes with the educational process, learning environment, or school safety.

Unauthorized Persons

In accordance with Education Code 37.105, a school administrator, school resource officer (SRO), or district police officer shall have the authority to refuse entry or remove a person from district property if:

1) The person poses a substantial risk of harm to any person; or
2) The person behaves in a manner that is inappropriate for a school setting, and the person persists in the behavior after being given a verbal warning that the behavior is inappropriate and may result in refusal of entry or ejection.

General Standards of Student Conduct

In order to promote a positive educational

Because of significant variations in student conduct, it is not always possible for the SCC to address each and every act of

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Student Not Yet Identified

A student who has not been determined to be eligible for special education, 504, or related services and who has engaged in behavior that violated a code of student conduct may assert any of the protections provided for in IDEA if the District had knowledge that the student had a disability before the behavior that precipitated that disciplinary action occurred.

District Knowledge

The District shall be deemed to have knowledge that a student has a disability if, before the behavior that precipitated the disciplinary action occurred:

1) The parent of the student expressed concern in writing to supervisory or administrative personnel of the District, or to the teacher of the student, that the student needed special education and related services.
2) The parent requested an evaluation of the student for special education and related services; or
3) The student's teacher, or other District personnel, expressed specific concerns about a pattern of behavior demonstrated by the student directly t, e0 Tc 0 Tw (e-en1l)s

6) The Hearing Panel or designee shall remain impartial and assist the parties in presenting all the facts and evidence in order to present a full account of the incident and shall render a decision in the matter.
7) The Hearing Panel or designee shall render a decision that determines whether the student violated the Student Code of Conduct and the appropriate duration of placement in a DAEP.
8) The decision of the panel or designee may be announced to the participants, but written notice of the decision shall be rendered to all parties within five working days following the proceeding.

Effect of Student Withdrawal

Withdrawal from school after a student has been accused of a violation of the SCC will not prevent the District from investigating the alleged violation and, if it is determined that a violation did occur, assessing the appropriate disciplinary consequence and enforcing that consequence should the student re-enroll in the District.

Scope of the District's Disciplinary Authority

General Authority

In addition to the disciplinary authority established for certain types of offenses as described within the SCC, the District has general disciplinary authority over a student at the following times:

- At any time during the school day
- While traveling on District owned or operated transportation or during school-related travel. Including conduct at a school bus stop off campus
- While attending any school-sponsored or school-related activity, regardless of time or location
- As provided in extracurricular or organization handbooks, by-laws, constitutions, or other guidelines
- During lunch periods, including those in which a student leaves the campus
- While on school property
- For any school-related misconduct, regardless of time or location
- During online or other types of remote instruction
- Other off campus conduct as authorized and defined by Chapter 37 of the Texas Education Code, including cyberbullying
- For certain offenses against other students and school employees, regardless of time or location
- For certain offenses committed within 300 feet of school property as measured from any point on the school's real property boundary line
- If the student is a registered sex offender

Searches

A student's clothing, personal property, electronic equipment, method of transportation, or school property used by the student (such as lockers or desks) may be searched when there is reasonable cause to believe the search will reveal articles or materials prohibited by the District or other violations of school rules. Students are

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Students shall exercise their rights responsibly in compliance with the Student Code of Conduct and Board Policy. Students are required to report in good faith any misconduct by employees and other students. Students who violate the rights of others or who violate district, campus or classroom rules shall be subject to disciplinary action. School rules, and the authority of the District to administer discipline, apply whenever the interest of the school is involved on or off school grounds (including activities in conjunction with or independent of classes and school-sponsored activities).

Criminal Conduct

School administrators will report crimes as required by law and may contact local law enforcement regarding suspected criminal activity. Certain acts of misconduct may constitute criminal offenses in addition to violations of the SCC. Because school discipline is independent of criminal proceedings, disciplinary consequences will not be postponed pending the outcome of any criminal proceeding or affected by the outcome of any criminal proceeding.

Finally, as the District expects its students to adhere to certain standards of conduct, the District also expects that parents of our students and other visitors will comply with similar standards of conduct and civility expected of our students. Accordingly, a school administrator, resource officer, or school district peace officer may refuse to allow a person to enter or may eject a person from any property under the control of the school district if the person refuses to leave peaceably upon request, and 1) the person poses a substantial risk of harm to themselves or others, or 2) is behaving in a way that is inappropriate for a school setting. A person behaving inappr

Security Personnel/School Resource Officers (SRO)

Finally, security personnel are important members of the District safety team. State law requires that the job duties of the peace officers, school resource officers and security personnel be listed in the District Student Code of Conduct. See job duties listed below:

To ensure sufficient security and protection of students, staff, and property, the district contracts with the Fort Worth Police Department/Benbrook Police Department/Forest Hill Police Department. School Resource Officers (SRO) promote a safer school environment through offense prevention, interventions with students, and application of the law. Student misconduct may violate school rules and local/state law. When applicable, the campus behavior coordinator will take appropriate school level actions as well as consult with SROs/ local law enforcement. Any action law enforcement authorities might take would be in addition to action taken by the school. A student may be cited or arrested. If the student is arrested, the parent/guardian must be notified in a timely manner by phone or in person. Law enforcement may transport the student to the Tarrant County Juvenile Detention Center and/or Mansfield City Jail. Disciplinary consequences for students with disabilities will follow the student's Behavior Intervention Plan, if one exists, and applicable federal and state law and guidelines except as provided by Section 37.007(e), in the Texas Education Code, the Student Code of Conduct is not required to specify a minimum term of removal under Section 37.006 or an expulsion under Section 37.007.

Discipline Management Techniques

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Remove a student from a specific location who is refusing a directive or command of a school employee, including from a classroom or other school property, in order to restore order or impose disciplinary measures. (However, an employee is not allowed to use physical restraint as a disciplinary measure; corporal punishment is prohibited.) Restrain an irrational student. Irrational is defined for these purposes as the inability to think and reason clearly or logically.

Prohibited Aversive Techniques

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General Types of Prohibited Conduct

Misconduct Involving Others

School-Related (Level I)

Misconduct identified in the list of prohibited behaviors below, will result in the assignment of one or more “Discipline Management Techniques” if the behavior is committed at school, a school-sponsored or school-related activity, during school-related travel, while traveling on District owned or operated transportation, or when the District has “Disciplinary Authority” as described in the SCC.

- Horseplay, roughhousing, and other playful behavior that, though not intended to harm, presents a reasonable risk of harm, threatens the safety of others, or actually causes injury to others
- Fighting (see definitions) or scuffling that may or may not result in physical pain, illness, or any impairment of a physical condition
- Hitting, pushing, or attempting to hurt another student
- Engaging in conduct that can or does cause bodily injury (see definitions)
- Forcing an unwilling person to act or not act or obtaining money or another object of value from an unwilling person through duress, threats, force, extortion, coercion, or blackmail
- Subjecting a student or District employee, official, or volunteer to physical harm, confinement or restraint
- Bullying (see definitions)
- Cyberbullying (see definitions), including conduct that interferes with a student's educational opportunities or substantially disrupts the orderly operation of a classroom, school, or school-sponsored or school-related activity
- Name-calling, ethnic or racial slurs, making racial comments to another student or employee, or derogatory statements that school employees reasonably believe could substantially disrupt the school environment or incite violence
- Adding any substance, whether harmful or not, without permission to any food or beverages belonging to, in the possession of, or meant to be consumed by another student or District employee, official, or volunteer
- Engaging in harassment (see definitions) toward another student or a District employee, official, or volunteer, including harassment based on race, color, religion, national origin, disability, sex, gender, or age
- Engaging in sexual harassment (see definitions) or sexual abuse
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- Hand instrument designed to cut or stab another by being thrown; including, but not limited to, a dirk, stiletto, dagger, poniard, bowie knife, sword, or spear
- Fake or “look-alike” weapons
- Deadly weapons (see definitions)
- Poisons, caustic acids, or other materials that may be toxic to the human body
- BB gun, air gun, or stun gun

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- Engaging in misbehavior, actions, or demonstrations that substantially disrupt or materially interfere with school activities or that give school officials reasonable cause to believe that such conduct will substantially disrupt the school program, endanger others, or incite violence
- Throwing objects that can cause bodily injury or property damage
- Making false accusations or providing false statements concerning wrongful, unlawful, inappropriate, or illegal conduct alleged to have been committed by another student or District employee, official, or volunteer

- Falsifying, altering, forging, or destroying school records, passes, other school-related documents, or documents presented to District employees
- Gambling or betting money or other things of value
- Inappropriate exposure of a student's private body parts which are ordinarily covered by clothing, including through such acts as mooning, streaking, or flashing
- Taking one or more steps toward violating the SCC even if the student fails to complete the intended misconduct

Return to the Classroom

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In-School Suspension (ISS)

Reasons for ISS

A student may be placed in an in-school suspension program at the discretion of the campus behavior coordinator. The parent and/or guardian must be notified by the school administrator before the in-school suspension placement becomes official. Parents/guardians shall be notified prior to a student serving detention that is scheduled before/after school hours. Transportation arrangements must be made with the parent/guardian prior to the scheduled detention.

Procedure for ISS

The student will be informed of the reason for placement in ISS and be given an opportunity to respond before the administrator's decision is final. While in ISS the student will complete assignments from his or her teacher.

Disciplinary Alternative Education Program (DAEP)

Reasons for Mandatory DAEP Placement

School-Related (Level II)

Subject to the requirements of Texas Education Code, Section 37.009 (a), a student must be placed in DAEP for any of the following misconduct if committed while on school property, within 300 feet of school property as measured from any point on the school's real property boundary line, or while attending a school-sponsored or school-related activity on or off school property:

- Engages in conduct punishable as a felony
- Commits an assault (see definitions) resulting in bodily injury (see definitions) against another
- Is charged with possession or distribution of a controlled substance (see definitions), a dangerous drug (see definitions), or an alcoholic beverage.
- Commits a serious act or offense while under the influence of an alcoholic beverage if the conduct is not a punishable felony.
- Student possesses, uses, or is under the influence of marijuana, a controlled substance (see ed a5D3..6 1 e(

» Students who are: (1) convicted of continuous sexual abuse of a young child or children; or (2) convicted, receive deferred adjudication or deferred prosecution, been found to have engaged in delinquent conduct or conduct in need of supervision, or been placed on probation for either sexual assault or aggravated sexual assault against another student assigned to the same campus at the time the offense occurred will be placed in DAEP (or JJAEP as appropriate) on the request of the victim's parents if the victim student does not wish to transfer, and there is only one campus serving that grade level. Placement in this circumstance may be for any length of time considered necessary.

- Engages in a federal firearm offense if the student is six years of age or younger

Off-Campus

A student must be placed in DAEP for engaging in a Title 5 (see definitions) felony offense or aggravated robbery while off-campus and not in attendance at a school-sponsored or school-related activity if:

- The student receives deferred prosecution
- A court or jury finds the student engaged in delinquent conduct, or
- The Superintendent or Superintendent's designee has a reasonable belief that the student has engaged in conduct defined as either a Title 5 felony offense or aggravated robbery (as defined in the Penal Code)

Reasons for Discretionary DAEP Placement

School-Related (Level II)

A student may be placed in DAEP for any of the following misconduct if committed while on school property, or while attending a school-sponsored or school-related activity on or off school property:

- Committing any offense included in the list of "General Types of Prohibited Misconduct" in this SCC
- The administrator has a reasonable belief that the student engaged in conduct punishable as a felony (other than aggravated robbery or a Title 5 felony), and the student's continued presence in the regular classroom is a threat to the safety of others or is detrimental to the educational process
- Off-campus conduct for which DAEP placement is required by state law when the administrator does not learn of the conduct until more than a year passes after the conduct occurred

Off-Campus

- Engaging in criminal mischief if the damage is less than $2500

Regardless of Location

A student may be placed in DAEP if the student engages in the following misconduct, regardless of whether the conduct occurred on or off campus:

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- If the student is a registered sex offender (see definitions) who is not under any form of court supervision. A registered sex offender who is not under any form of court supervision wilmn004 -0 0 8.04 51 726

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Successful completion of school days will be determined at the discretion of the District. Days occurring during school closures when virtual instruction is taking place WILL NOT count as a successful completion of a day in the DAEP. The length of DAEP placement may not exceed one year unless, after review, the District determines that the student is a threat to the safety of other students or District employees.

If the DAEP is at capacity at the time a DAEP placement decision is made for a student who engaged in conduct related to marijuana, a vape, alcohol, or an o17(ade( ) (i)(al)2.60.2 (152)na,)]TJ0 TcTc 16 Tw2d.916-0.0

Impact on Graduation

The District has the right to limit a student's participation in graduation activities for violating the District's student code of conduct. Students eligible to give the opening and closing remarks at graduation shall be notified by the campus principal.

Notwithstanding any other eligibility requirements, to be considered as an eligible student to give the opening or closing remarks, a student shall not have engaged in any misconduct in violation of the District's code, by [illegible]

Expulsion

Reasons for Mandatory Expulsion

School-Related (Level III)

A student must be expelled for any of the following misconduct that occurs on school property or while attending a school-sponsored or school-related activity on or off school property:

- Brings to school a firearm, as defined by federal law (see definitions)

Students whose offense involves a firearm must be assigned to JJAEP for one school-calendar year. If the offense occurs in the last six weeks of the school year, the placement may extend/begin into the

Reasons for Discretionary Expulsion

While in DAEP

A student may be

- Sells, gives, delivers, possesses, uses, or is under the influence of a controlled substance (see definitions) or a dangerous drug (see definitions), if the behavior is punishable as a felony

Regardless of Location

A student may be expelled if the student engages in the following misconduct, regardless of whether the conduct occurred on or off campus: reg u 1 Td(o9j-0im.88 Tw 13 Tw 0.3114 4.65J0 0 Td[(r)-17 (eg)-230.00.8 uni)2.6 (s)-2 (llo)-3.4 (w)TJ7w 3.261 0 Td(9 Tdm.6.6 (,)Rifofth0 -Tv43 c 1448 occnabine conducto a n a b

In this circumstance, expulsion to an alternative setting may be ordered regardless of: (1) the date on which the conduct occurred, (2) the location at which the conduct occurred, (3) whether the student was enrolled in the District at the time the conduct occurred, or (4) whether the student successfully completed any court disposition requirements regarding the conduct.

A student may be subject to an expulsion under this circumstance until: (1) the student graduates from high school, (2) the charges are dismissed or reduced to a misdemeanor, (3) the student completes the term of the placement, or (4) the District assigns the student to another program. The student will be entitled to the same periodic review afforded to other students in alternate settings. An expulsion ordered in this case is final and may not be appealed beyond the Board of Trustees.

Procedure for Expulsion

Central Office Hearing

The Board delegates to the Student Discipline and Placement Department and its administrators the authority to expel a student to JJAEP. The hearing officer shall not be bound by the findings or conclusions of any prior hearings, procedures, or decisions.

Students alleged to have committed an expellable offense will receive a hearing before the Hearing Officer within a reasonable time following the alleged misconduct. The student's parent/guardian will be informed of the basis for the proposed expulsion and will be invited in writing to attend the hearing. After trying to inform the student and parent/guardian of the hearing, the District may hold the hearing regardless of whether the student or the student's parent/guardian attends. At the hearing, the student is entitled to:

Hearing Rules and Procedures

The hearing officer shall conduct an in-person conference, virtual, and/or teleconference for a student who is being recommended for a placement in a Level II or III DAEP. The hearing officer must consider mitigating factors (refer to pg.16). These are considerations for both mandatory and discretionary conferences. When possible, this conference shall be held within three days of the time of the offense. If after notice is provided to the student and the parent/guardian regarding the time and location of the conference, the hearing officer may hold the conference regardless of whether the student or student's parent/guardian attends. During the conference, the following procedures

- The hearing officer shall remain impartial. The hearing officer shall assist the parties in presenting all the facts in order to present a full account of the incident. The hearing officer's decision will be based upon a consideration of the credible evidence offered and the discipline philosophy of the District. If the student is expelled to JJAEP, not later than the second business day

Expulsion Appeals

A student or a student's parent(s) or guardian(s) may appeal in writing a Level III expulsion to the Juvenile Justice Education Program (JJAEP), to the superintendent or designee, both of which have been designated by the Board. This written appeal must be delivered to the Superintendent's office within five working days after receiving notification of the expulsion. Parent(s) and/or guardian(s) may also submit

Vehicles

Students shall be fully responsible for the security and contents of vehicles parked on school property. Students shall make certain that their parked vehicles are locked and that the keys are not given to others. Students shall not place or keep in a vehicle on school property any article or material prohibited by law, District policy, or the Student Code of Conduct. If there is reasonable cause to believe that a vehicle on school property contains contraband, it may be searched by school officials or by personnel whose services have been engaged by the District to conduct such searches. Students shall be held responsible for any prohibited items found in their vehicles on school property. If a vehicle subject to search is locked, the student shall be asked to unlock the vehicle. If the student refuses, the District shall contact the student's parent. If the parents also refuse the search, the District may contact local law enforcement officials and turn the matter over to them, or the District may conduct the search.

The District shall use specially trained non-aggressive dogs to sniff out and alert to the current presence of concealed prohibited items and illicit substances as defined in FNCF (LOCAL) and alcohol; visits to the school shall be unannounced. The dogs shall be used to sniff the air in vacant classrooms, in vacant common areas, around student lockers and around vehicles parked on school property. The dogs shall not be used with students. If a dog alerts to a locker, a vehicle or an item in a classroom, the area may be searched by school officials. Searches of vehicles shall be conducted as described above.

Electronic Storage

A peace officer may not search a person's cellular telephone or other ertrrbe c

If a student refuses to comply with a metal detector search, the parent(s) and/or guardian(s)will be contacted. If the parent(s) and/or guardian(s) support their child's decision to refuse, the school liaison officer shall determine if a search is now mandatory for the safety of all. If not, the student shall be removed from the campus immediately and will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action. The second time a student refuses to comply with a metal detector search will result in immediate removal from school pending a central office conference.

Photographic/Video/Audio

District video/audio equipment shall be used for safety purposes in monitoring student behavior on buses and in common areas on the district's campuses. Students may not photograph, videotape, or otherwise record students or staff during the instructional school day.

No photograph, video recordings or audio recordings may be taken or made on Fort Worth ISD premises unless authorized by the Superintendent, her/his designee, or principal for educational or school-related purposes. (section 26.009 of the Texas Education Code applies).

General Security - Acceptable Use Policy

The Superintendent or designee shall implement, monitor, and evaluate electronic media resources for instructional and administfTw ( )TjTc 0 Tw 4.le12.978 0s Tw ( )Tj7[6.6 (i)U505 Tw 1.946 0 Td[(a)-o (or)4.9 1 Tf-0.00

2) For Employees: Probation, suspension, or termination of employment
3) Discipline in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct
4) Legal action per applicable laws and contractual agreements

View complete Acceptable Use of Assets Policy here.

Notice of Non-Disclosure

In accordance with Title IX, the district does not and is required not to discriminate on the basis of sex its educational programs or activities. The requirement not to discriminate extends to admission and employment. Inquiries about the application of Title IX may be referred to the district's Title IX

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE

A substance, including a drug, an adulterant, and a dilutant, listed in Schedules I through V or Penalty Group 1, 1-A, 2, 2-A, 3, or 4 of the Texas Controlled Substances Act. The term includes the aggregate weight of any mixture, solution, or other substance containing a controlled substance. Theterm does

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HARASSMENT (as defined by the Penal Code)

Actions against a school employee with intent to harass, annoy, alarm, abuse, torment, or embarrass, whereby the student initiates the communication and makes a makes a comment, request, suggestion, or proposal that is obscene; threatens, in a manner reasonably likely to alarm the employee receiving the threat, to inflict bodily injury on the employee or to commit a felony against the employee, a member of the employee's family or household, or the employee's property; conveys, in a manner reasonably likely to alarm the employee receiving the report, a false report, which is known by the student to be false, that another person has suffered death or serious bodily injury; sends repeated electronic communications in a manner reasonably likely to harass, annoy, alarm, abuse, torment, embarrass, or offend an employee of the District creasonn-0.0n(t)4ed deateonablbarrast

PERSISTENT

Three or more violations of the SCC or repeated occurrences of the same violation.

POSSESSION

To have in or on (1) a student's person or in the student's personal property, such as the student's clothing, purse, or backpack; (2) in any conveyance used by the student for transportation to or from school or school-related activities, such as an automobile, truck, motorcycle, or bicycle; or (3) any other school property used by the student, such as a locker or desk.

POSSESSION OR PROMOTION OF LEWD VISUAL MATERIAL DEPICTING A CHILD

Possessing, accessing, or promoting, lewd visual material depicting a child, as further defined by Texas Penal Code § 43.25 and punishable as a felony.

PROHIBITED WEAPONS

A prohibited weapon includes the following items: armor-piercing ammunition, chemical dispensing device, explosive weapon, machine gun, short-barrel firearm, zip gun, improvised explosive device or tire deflation device as further defined in Texas Penal Code § 46.05.

PUBLIC LEWDNESS

Those acts defined in Texas Penal Code § 21.07 as an offense that occurs when a person knowingly engages in an act of sexual intercourse, deviate sexual intercourse, or sexual contact in a public place or, if not in a public place, is reckless about whether another is present who will be offended or alarmed by the act.

REASONABLE BELIEF

A determination that misconduct occurred made by the administrator using all available factual and legal information, including information furnished under Article 15.27 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

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SEX OFFENDER

A student required to register as a sex offender under Chapter 62 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for an offense committed on or after September 1, 2007. The term does not include a student who (1) is no longer required to register as a sex offender under Chapter 62, (2) is exempt from registering as a sex offender under Chapter 62, or (3) receives an early termination of the obligation to register as a sex offender under Chapter 62.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal, nonverbal, or physical conduct of a sexual nature, or conduct on the basis of sex prohibited by District policy FFH or FNC, when it is so severe, persistent, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it has the purpose or effect of effectively denying a person equal access to an educational program or activity. Conduct that meets the definitions of sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence or stalking under federal law.

SHORT-BARREL FIREARM

A rifle with a barrel length of less than 16 inches or a shotgun with a barrel length of less than 18 inches, or any weapon made from a rifle or shotgun if, as altered, has an overall length of less than 26 inches.

SWITCHBLADE KNIFE

Any knife with a blade that folds, closes, or retracts into the handle or sheath and that opens automatically by pressing a button or other device located on the handle or opens or releases a blade from the handle or sheath by the force of gravity or centrifugal force. It does not include a knifethat has a spring, detent, or other mechanism designed to create a bias toward closure and that requires exertion applied to the blade by hand, wrist, or arm to overcome the bias toward closure and open the knife (also known as one-handed openers or assisted openers).

TELECOMMUNICATIONS DEVICE

Any type of device that (1) emits an audible signal, vibrates, displays a message, or otherwise summons or delivers a communication to the possessor, or (2) permits the recording, transmission, and/or receipt of messages, voices, images, or information in any format or media, electronic or otherwise. It does not include an amateur radio under control of someone with an amateur radio license.

TERRORISTIC THREAT

Threats to commit any offense involving violence to any person or property with intent to (1) cause a reaction by an official or volunteer agency organized to deal with emergencies; (2) place any person in fear of imminent serious bodily injury; (3) prevent or interrupt the occupation or use of a building, room, place of assembly, place to which the public has access, place of employment or occupation, aircraft, automobile, or other form of conveyance, or other public place; (4) cause impairment or interruption of public communications, public transportation, public water, gas, or power supply or other public service; (5) place the public or a substantial group of the public in fear of serious bodily injury; or (6) influence the conduct or activities of a branch or agency of the federalgovernment, the state, or a political subdivision of the state (including the District).

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TITLE 5 FELONY OFFENSES

Offenses against the person that, depending on the circumstances, may include murder; capital murder; manslaughter; criminally negligent homicide; unlawful restraint; kidnapping; aggravated kidnapping; trafficking of persons; unlawful transport; assault; aggravated assault; sexual assault; aggravated sexual assault; improper relationship between educator and student; indecency with a child; injury to a child, an elderly person, or a disabled person; abandoning or endangering a child; invasive visual recording; sexual coercion; deadly conduct; terroristic threat; aiding a person to commit suicide; harassment by a person in a correctional facility; continuous sexual abuse of a young child or children; bestiality; voyeurism; disclosure or promotion of intimate visual material; and tampering with a consumer product.

UNDER THE INFLUENCE

When in the employee's professional judgment, the student does not have the normal use of mental or physical faculties likely attributable to the student's use of a prohibi

Acknowledgment Form