

Students

Use of Physical Force/Corporal Punishment

The use of corporal punishment is prohibited. Corporal punishment is defined as using physical force or inflicting physical hurt upon a student in order to punish him/her for misconduct or in order to regulate his/her behavior.

Reasonable physical force may be used, to the extent that a teacher or other person entrusted with the care and supervision of a minor for school purposes believes it necessary to:

- A. Protect him/herself or others from immediate physical injury.
- B. Obtain possession of a dangerous instrument or controlled substance, upon or within the control of such student.
- C. Protect property from physical damage.
- D. Restrain student or remove student to another area to maintain order.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

53a-18 Use of reasonable physical force or deadly physical force generally

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