

## **Community Relations**

### **Relations Between Public and School/Program**

#### **Personnel Conduct on School Property**

The Council expects mutual respect, civility and orderly conduct among all individuals on school property or school/program events. Staff will treat parents/guardians and other members of the public with respect and expect the same in return. The Council is committed to maintaining orderly educational and administrative processes in keeping schools and administrative offices free from disruptions and preventing unauthorized persons from entering school/district grounds.

This policy promotes mutual respect, civility and orderly conduct among Council members, CREC employees, parents/guardians and the public. It is not intended to deprive individuals of their right to freedom of expression, but only to maintain to the extent possible and reasonable, a safe, harassment-free environment for students and staff.

Based upon the above, the Council expects that no person on school property or at a school event shall:

1. Injure, threaten, harass or intimidate a staff member, board member or any other person.
2. Damage or threaten to damage another's property.
3. Damage or deface CREC property.
4. Violate any Connecticut law or town/city ordinance.
5. Smoke or otherwise use tobacco products.
6. Consume, possess, distribute, or be under the influence of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs, or possess dangerous instruments or weapons.
7. Impede, delay, or otherwise interfere with the orderly conduct of CREC's educational program or any other activity occurring on school property.
8. Enter upon any portion of the school premises at any time for purposes other than those which are lawful and authorized by the Council.
9. Operate a motor vehicle in a risky manner or in violation of an authorized CREC employee's directive.
10. Violate other CREC policies or regulations or an authorized CREC employee's directive.

(cf. 1110.1 - Parent Involvement)  
(cf. 1120 - Public Participation at Council Meetings)  
(cf. 1250 - Visits to Schools)  
(cf. 1251 - Loitering or Causing Disturbances)  
(cf. 1312 - Public Complaints)  
(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

1-225 Meetings of the government agents to be public.

1-232 Conduct of the meeting

10-221 Boards of education to prescribe rule(s), policies, and procedures.

10-238 Petition for hearing by board of education.

10-239 Use of school facilities for other purposes.

53a-185 Loitering in or about school grounds: Class C misdemeanor.

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