

PUBLIC CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

All visitors must register at the school office on arrival.

No one may possess or consume any alcoholic beverage in or on the grounds of any public school during school hours or school or student activities. In addition, no one may consume, and no organization shall serve, any alcoholic beverage in or on the grounds of any public school after school hours or school or student activities, except for religious congregations using wine for sacramental purposes only.

In accordance with Policy KGC Use of Tobacco Use and Electronic Cigarettes on School Premises, smoking and the use of electronic cigarettes is not permitted in schools or school vehicles.

Any person found to be engaged in or advocating illegal activity while on school property, including school buses, shall be reported by the principal to the local law enforcement authorities.

Any person who willfully and maliciously damages, destroys or defaces any school district building, or damages or removes any school property from a school building, will be required to compensate the school division and may be prosecuted.

Any person who willfully interrupts or disturbs the operation of any school or, being intoxicated, disturbs the same, whether willfully or not, may be ejected and/or prosecuted.

Audio or Video Recording

In accordance with the Code of Virginia [8VAC 20-81-170 Section J, Subsection 1], parents are permitted to audio record only those meetings that are specifically listed in the Regulations Governing Special Education Programs for Children with Disabilities in Virginia, which are: (1) eligibility; (2) Individualized Education Program (also known as "IEP"); and (3) manifestation determination review meetings. Parent-teacher conferences and meetings with administrators, however, are not included in this list.

Audio or video recording by any means in classrooms and on all school property by staff, parents, students or third parties while students and/or school staff are engaged in providing educational opportunities to students or during school-sponsored activities not open to the general public is prohibited without prior written notice and approval by the principal, superintendent, or superintendent's designee. No recording shall be approved if it violates the rights of any student pursuant to the state and federal privacy laws and regulations including but not limited to the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). For students whose circumstance requires that they possess a GPS tracking device on school property (and who have prior School Board approval), any audio "listen-in" feature must be disabled during school hours.

Accordingly, the school division does not authorize meeting participants to record parent-teacher conferences or other meetings that are not explicitly listed above. If a person elects to record an eligibility meeting, IEP meeting, or manifestation determination review meeting, the school division must be informed, in advance, of the intent to record, as GCPS may also elect to record the meeting, as well. Under no circumstances should recordings occur without the prior knowledge and consent of the school division. If not, then staff reserve the right to terminate and/or reschedule the meeting.

In accordance with 8VAC 20-81-170 Section J, Subsection 1, a person may request in writing that GCPS consider whether an exception should be made that would permit recording a meeting other than those enumerated above.

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LEGAL REFERENCES: Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§ 4.1-309, 18.2-415, 18.2-128, 18.2-138, 22.1-78, 22.1-79.5.

CROSS REFERENCES:

ECAB	Vandalism
GBCC	Civility Policy
GBEC/JFCH	Tobacco-Free School for Staff and Students
KGC	Use of Tobacco Use and Electronic Cigarettes on School Premises
KK	School Visitors
KN	Sex Offender Registry
KNA	Violent Sex Offenders on School Property