

## CODE OF CONDUCT

The goal of the West Deptford Middle School Code of Conduct is to promote a positive, safe atmosphere for teaching, learning and mutual respect. It is the result of a combined effort of administration, parents, teachers, students and the Board of Education. In order to accomplish this goal, the entire school community must work cooperatively.

### ABUSIVE BEHAVIOR OFFENSES

	<b>Offense</b>	<b>Consequences</b>
1.	Harassment, Intimidation, Bias, or Bullying Offenses (per district policy 5512)	<p>Offenses involving any sort of harassment, intimidation, bias, or bullying will result in disciplinary consequences and are subject to investigation under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b><i>Bias Acts:</i></b> Any action by a student intended to insult, offend, demean, threaten, or intimidate another student because of that student's race, religion, gender, ethnic background, disability, or any other defining characteristic</li> <li>· <b><i>Harassment:</i></b> Any language, behavior, or gestures which attempt to elicit fear or anxiety from another student; may be of a verbal, cyber, physical, or sexual nature</li> </ul> <p>Appropriate consequences will be determined, consistent with case law, Federal and State statutes, regulations and policies, and district policies and procedures. Appropriate remedial action for students who are found to have violated the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights may range from positive behavioral interventions up to and including suspension or expulsion and police notification.</p> <p>In general, the following disciplinary consequences may be issued for any offenses involving harassment, intimidation, bias, or bullying:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· External suspension (OSS) for a length to be determined by administration</li> <li>· Parent Notification</li> <li>· Meeting with counselor and/or administration</li> <li>· Notification of School Resource Officer</li> <li>· Possible municipal charges</li> </ul> <p>FULL DISTRICT POLICY (5512) IS AVAILABLE ON THE DISTRICT WEBSITE.</p>
2.	Threat to Safety of Others (Staff or Student)	The administration will review the allegations and determine appropriate consequences.

3.	Abusive Language to Other Students (written or spoken language or gesture that is offensive, obscene, or vulgar)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Administrative Detention</li> <li>· Apology</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Apology</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference</li> <li>· Counselor notification and conflict resolution session</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (1 POINT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 Day ISS</li> <li>· Apology</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference with administration</li> <li>· Counselor notification and conflict resolution session</li> </ul>
4.	Abusive Language to Any District Employee (written or spoken language or gesture that is offensive, obscene, or vulgar)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE (1 POINT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 Day ISS (Internal Suspension)</li> <li>· Apology</li> <li>· Parent conference with administration</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (2 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Days ISS (Internal Suspension)</li> <li>· Apology</li> <li>· Parent conference with administration</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC Contact</li> </ul>
5.	Failure to Follow Rules and Regulations (i.e. inappropriate conduct in halls, public display of affection, in the hall without a pass, general horseplay, food or drinks in the halls, loitering, unsupervised in the building, gambling, playing cards)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1-2 Lunch/Recess Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Administrative Detention</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/ SAC contact</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> <li>· Subsequent Offenses may result in ISS and Conference with AP (1 POINT)</li> </ul>
6.	Assault by WDMS Student on Another Student	<p>1<sup>st</sup> OFFENSE (3 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 3 Days OSS (external suspension)</li> <li>· Parent conference with administration</li> <li>· Counselor notification and conflict resolution session</li> <li>· Municipal complaint may be filed</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> OFFENSE AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (5 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 5 Days OSS (external suspension)</li> <li>· Parent conference with administration</li> <li>· Counselor notification and conflict resolution session</li> <li>· Municipal complaint may be filed</li> <li>· Board of Education Hearing</li> </ul>

7.	Assault by Pupil on West Deptford Board of Education Employee	<p>ANY OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 18A:37-2.1 Assault by pupil upon a teacher, etc.; suspension, expulsion proceedings.</li> <li>· Any pupil who commits an assault, as defined pursuant to N.J.S.2C:12-1, upon a teacher, administrator, board member or other employee of the board of education, acting in the performance of his duties and in a situation where his/her authority to so act is apparent, or as a result of the victim's relationship to an institution of public education of this State, shall be immediately suspended from school consistent with procedural due process pending expulsion proceedings before the local Board of Education. Said proceedings shall take place no later than 30 calendar days following the day on which the pupil is suspended. Must attend conflict resolution sessions.</li> </ul>
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### BEHAVIORAL OFFENSES

	<b>Offense</b>	<b>Consequences</b>
8.	<p>Academic Dishonesty</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Cheating</li> <li>· Copying of another's work OR providing work to another student to copy</li> <li>· Fabrication/Falsification</li> <li>· Tampering</li> <li>· Plagiarism</li> <li>· Unfair Advantage</li> <li>· Other Academic Misconduct determined by the Administration</li> </ul>	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Parent Conference</li> <li>· Zero for all class work</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 to 2 days Lunch Recess Detention</li> <li>· Parent Conference</li> <li>· Zero for all class work</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (1-2 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 to 2 days ISS (internal suspension)</li> <li>· Parent Conference</li> <li>· Zero for all class work</li> </ul>
9.	<p>Cafeteria Misconduct (Actions which disrupt the orderly management of the cafeteria, i.e. throwing food, failure to clean up)</p>	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Warning/Reprimand OR Lunch/Recess Detention</li> <li>· Parent Notification</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1-2 Lunch/Recess Detentions</li> <li>· Parent Notification</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1-2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent Conference</li> </ul>

10.	<p>Bus Misconduct (Actions which disrupt the orderly management of the bus, i.e. out of seat, horseplay, eating)</p>	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Warning/Reprimand</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1-2 Lunch/Recess Detention</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1-2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Possible Suspension from bus per referral</li> </ul>
11.	<p>Forgery (falsifying and/or possession of an altered note or school-related document from a parent/guardian/teacher/doctor)</p>	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Administrative Detention</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Pass restriction for a length of time to be determined by administration</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> <li>· Pass restriction for a length of time to be determined by administration</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (1-2 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 to 3 days ISS (internal suspension)</li> <li>· Parent conference with administration</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> <li>· Pass restriction for a length of time to be determined by administration</li> </ul>
12.	<p>Cutting Class</p>	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Lunch/Recess Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Zero for all class work</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Zero for all class work</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (1 POINT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 days ISS</li> <li>· Parent conference with administration</li> <li>· Zero for all class work</li> <li>· Pass restriction for a length of time to be determined by administration</li> <li>· Principal Conference</li> </ul> <p><i><b>NOTE:</b> Time missed from class will be noted in accordance with attendance policy. Any student who arrives to class after 10 minutes and is unable to produce a verifiable pass will be disciplined for cutting class.</i></p>

13.	<p>Cutting School -Truancy (Absence from school without prior authorization or approved reason) Leaving school grounds may result in notifying the appropriate authorities)</p>	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE (1 POINT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 Day ISS (Internal Suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Zero for all class work</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC Contact</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE (2 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Days ISS (Internal Suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Zero for all class work</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC Contact</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (3 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 3 days ISS</li> <li>· Parent conference with administration</li> <li>· Zero for all class work</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC Contact</li> </ul> <p><i><b>NOTE:</b> Additional Offenses may result in a Superintendent Review. Time missed from school will be noted in accordance with attendance policy.</i></p>
14.	<p>Disruptive Behavior -Behaviors which disrupt the teaching /learning process</p>	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Lunch/Recess Detention</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC Contact</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 Administrative Detention</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC Contact</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> </ul> <p>Subsequent referrals may result in days of ISS, Principal/Parent Conference</p>
15.	<p>Theft of Food/Beverage from Cafeteria</p>	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 week Lunch/Recess detention</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Restitution</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE (1 POINT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 day ISS</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Restitution</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (2 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 day OSS (external suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference with administration</li> <li>· Restitution</li> <li>· Municipal complaint may be filed</li> </ul>

16.	Failure to Attend Teacher Detention	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Reassign Teacher Detention</li> <li>· 1-2 Lunch/Recess Detention</li> <li>· Parent Notification</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 Administrative Detention</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> <li>· Subsequent Offenses may result in ISS ( 1 POINT) and conference with Principal</li> </ul>
17.	Failure to Attend Administrative Detention	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Detention reassigned</li> <li>· 1 Lund/Recess Detention</li> <li>· Parent Notification</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC Contact</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (1 POINT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 day ISS</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC Contact</li> </ul> <p><i>NOTE: Any student who fails to attend an administrative detention <b>will not be permitted to participate in any after school activity for that day.</b></i></p>
18.	Insubordination/Disrespect/Open Defiance of Authority (Verbal or nonverbal refusal to comply with a reasonable directive. Refusal to leave an area when requested.)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (1-2 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1-2 days ISS</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Degree of any level offense may result in OSS and/or filing of Municipal complaint</li> </ul>

19.	Reckless Behavior- Inappropriate behavior in halls, class, and/or playground, public displays of affection, no pass, horse play/scuffle, food drink in halls...)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Administrative Detention</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor notification</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (1-2 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 to 2 days ISS (internal suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference with administration</li> <li>· Counselor notification</li> </ul>
20.	Dress Code Violation (in accordance with District Policy 5511)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Administrative warning</li> <li>· Student required to change into suitable attire before return to class (may change into Phys. Ed. attire if necessary)</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 Administrative Detention</li> <li>· Student required to change into suitable attire before return to class (may change into Phys. Ed. attire if necessary)</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (1 POINT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 Day ISS (internal suspension)</li> <li>· Student required to change into suitable attire before return to class (may change into Phys. Ed. attire if necessary)</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor /SAC contact</li> <li>· Advisor/Coach notification</li> </ul> <p><b><u>NOTE:</u></b> Time missed from class due to dress code violations will be noted in accordance with attendance policy. Students may be detained in the office or ISS if inappropriate clothing can not be changed until parent arrives)</p>
21.	Endangering Others ( Acts that cause harm to another either intentionally or due to unruly, careless behavior)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Administrative warning</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> OFFENSE AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (1-2 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1-2 days ISS (internal suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC Contact</li> </ul>

22.	Use of Electronic Device (cell phones, pagers, hand-held games, unauthorized cameras, portable audio devices, Ipods)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Warning</li> <li>· Confiscation of Device (returned at end of school day)</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Confiscation of Device (returned to parent/guardian ONLY)</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> OFFENSE AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (1 POINT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 Day ISS (internal suspension)</li> <li>· Confiscation of Device (returned to parent/guardian ONLY)</li> <li>· Parent conference with administration</li> <li>· Student is prohibited from bringing device to school</li> </ul>
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### LATENESS AND UNEXCUSED EARLY RELEASE

	<b>Offense</b>	<b>Consequences</b>
23.	Lateness to school (after 8:25 bell until 10:45 AM)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Lateness Documented</li> <li>· Administrative Warning</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Lateness Documented</li> <li>· Administrative Single Detention</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>rd</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Lateness Documented</li> <li>· Administrative Double Detention</li> </ul> <p><i><b>NOTE:</b> Students who are habitually late to school may be subject to municipal action. Administration reserves the right to assign lunch/study hall detention, Saturday detention, and ISS if students fail to comply with aforementioned consequences.</i></p>
24.	Lateness to school (after 10:47 AM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· All students are to report immediately to the main office.</li> <li>· Students WILL NOT receive credit for attendance if not in school a minimum of four (4) hours. Arrival to school after 10:47 AM is considered an absence.</li> </ul>



25.	Lateness to class (Same Teacher) (Starting with the 3rd lateness to class and every 2nd offense thereafter)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Administrative Detention</li> <li>· Parent Notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (1 POINT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 Day ISS (internal suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> </ul> <p><b><i>NOTE:</i></b> Arriving 10 minutes late or more to class without a verifiable pass or excuse will be considered an absence/cutting.</p>
26.	Unexcused Early Release	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Students cannot receive credit for attendance if not in school for a minimum of 4 hours. If a student leaves school prior to being in attendance for 4 hours, they will be marked absent for that day.</li> <li>· Students who leave school early but have been in attendance for at least 4 hours will have their class period absences noted in accordance with attendance and credit policies. Parents/guardians are strongly encouraged to make appointments for their students after school hours</li> <li>· Students, who leave early unexcused, may not participate in any after school activities (athletics, clubs, dances/skating parties, etc.) without administrative approval..</li> </ul>

## PROPERTY OFFENSES

	<b>Offense</b>	<b>Consequences</b>
27.	Tampering with School Equipment (including computers and related paraphernalia or accessing unauthorized or inappropriate sites and materials)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1-2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent Conference</li> <li>· Restitution for loss</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE (1 POINT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 day ISS</li> <li>· Parent Conference</li> <li>· Restitution for loss</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (2-3 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2-3 days ISS</li> <li>· Parent Conference</li> <li>· Restitution for loss</li> </ul> <p><b>Any violation may result in loss of computer access, internet and email privileges as well as other disciplinary or legal action.</b></p>
28.	Tampering with Network Resources (including school, student or staff files)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE (2 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 days ISS</li> <li>· Saturday Detention</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Restitution for any damage or loss</li> <li>· Municipal complaint may be filed</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE (2-6 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 to 3 day OSS (external suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference with administration</li> <li>· Restitution for any damage or loss</li> <li>· Municipal Complaint will be filed</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (10 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 5 day OSS (external suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference with administration</li> <li>· Restitution for any damage or loss</li> <li>· Municipal Complaint will be filed</li> <li>· Possible Superintendent's hearing</li> <li>· Possible loss of computer/technology access (where applicable)</li> <li>· Possible additional legal action (where applicable)</li> </ul>

29.	Theft/Stealing –Minor offenses, under \$35 in value (individual or school property on school grounds or during school related activities)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Administrative Detention</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Restitution for loss</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference with administration</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> <li>· Restitution for loss</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (1-2 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1-2 Days ISS (internal suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> <li>· Restitution for loss</li> <li>· Municipal Complaint may be filed</li> </ul>
30.	Theft/Stealing –Major (individual or school property on school grounds or during school related activities)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE (1-3 POINT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1-3 Days ISS (internal suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference with administration</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> <li>· Restitution for loss</li> <li>· Municipal Complaint may be filed</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE (3-5 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 3-5 day ISS (internal suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference with administration</li> <li>· Counselor SAC contact</li> <li>· Restitution for loss</li> <li>· Municipal Complaint may be filed</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (POINTS TBD)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· OSS (external suspension) Pending Superintendent Hearing</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference with administration</li> <li>· Counselor SAC contact</li> <li>· Restitution for loss</li> <li>· Municipal Complaint may be filed</li> </ul>
31.	Vandalism or Destruction / Defacing of Property NJSA 18A:37- 3 (Liability of parent/guardian for willful destruction of property by student under 18)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE (1 POINT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 day ISS (internal suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference with administration</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> <li>· Restitution for loss</li> <li>· Municipal Complaint will be filed</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (2-3 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 2-3 days ISS (internal suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference with administration</li> <li>· Counselor/SAC contact</li> <li>· Restitution for loss</li> <li>· Municipal Complaint will be filed</li> </ul>

32.	Trespassing (on school property without permission)	<p>ALL OFFENSES (POINTS TBD)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 to 10 day OSS (external suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference with administration</li> <li>· Municipal Complaint will be filed</li> </ul>
33.	Gambling (card games, wagers, or any other such activity)	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 Administrative Detention</li> <li>· Confiscation of paraphernalia</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor notification</li> <li>· SRO notification</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 - 2 Administrative Detentions</li> <li>· Saturday Detention</li> <li>· Confiscation of paraphernalia</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor notification</li> <li>· SRO notification</li> </ul> <p>3<sup>RD</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 day ISS (1 POINT)</li> <li>· Confiscation of paraphernalia</li> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· Counselor notification</li> <li>· SRO notification</li> </ul>

### SAFETY / HAZARD OFFENSES

	<b>Offense</b>	<b>Consequences</b>
34.	Tampering With or Pulling Fire Alarm	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1 day ISS (1 POINT)</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference with administration</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE (2-4 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· 1-2 days OSS (external suspension)</li> <li>· Parent notification and conference with administration</li> <li>· Municipal Complaint will be filed</li> </ul> <p><i><b>NOTE:</b> Board of Education may seek reimbursement for fines incurred for false alarms.</i></p>

35.	Possession of Weapons or Weapon-Related Paraphernalia NJSA2C:39	<p>The Administration has the right to determine the nature and seriousness of any weapons-related incident. Upon determining the seriousness of the incident, the following disciplinary action will be taken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· External suspension until Superintendent's hearing which may result in a Board of Education expulsion hearing (4-10 days)</li> <li>· Parent conference</li> <li>· Child Study Team referral</li> <li>· Municipal Complaint will be filed</li> </ul> <p><b><i>NOTE:</i></b> This code also refers to imitation, toy, or decoy weapons. At the discretion of the Administration, a student may only meet with the Principal regarding the incident. The Administration will make the determination as to whether or not the weapon was brought to school inadvertently; and/or there was no indication that the intent was to use the weapon in a threatening or malicious manner</p>
36.	Assault With Weapon, or Infliction of Bodily Harm NJSA 2C:12-1	<p>ALL OFFENSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· External suspension until Superintendent's hearing which may result in a Board of Education expulsion hearing</li> <li>· Parent conference</li> <li>· Child Study Team referral</li> <li>· Municipal Complaint will be filed</li> </ul>

## SUBSTANCE-RELATED OFFENSES

	<b>Offense</b>	<b>Consequences</b>
37.	Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (not containing any controlled dangerous substance otherwise identified in N.J.A.C. 6:29-9.3(a))	<p>1<sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE (4 POINTS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Parent notification</li> <li>· 2 day OSS (external suspension)</li> <li>· SRO informed and municipal complaint filed</li> <li>· Student will be required to attend drug counseling sessions with the school's Substance Abuse Counselor (SAC)</li> <li>· Drug test/doctor's note needed to return to school</li> <li>· On-going random urine monitoring. The monitoring will be in place for one calendar year from the offense.</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>ND</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (POINTS TBD)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· All of the above <i>PLUS</i>:</li> <li>· External suspension until Superintendent's hearing which may result in a Board of Education disciplinary hearing</li> </ul>

38.	Possession of Alcohol, Drugs, Steroids, or Substances identified in  N.J.A.C. 6:29-9.3(a) N.J.A.C. 6:36-1 et seq	1 <sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE (POINTS TBD) · Parent notification · 5-10 day OSS (external suspension) · SRO informed and municipal complaint filed · Student will be required to attend drug counseling sessions with the school's Substance Abuse Counselor (SAC) · Drug test/doctor's note needed to return to school · Superintendent's hearing which may result in a Board of Education disciplinary hearing 2 <sup>ND</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (POINTS TBD) · All of the above <i>PLUS</i> : · External suspension until Superintendent's hearing which may result in a Board of Education disciplinary hearing.
39.	Under the Influence of Alcohol, Drugs, Steroids or Substances identified in  N.J.S.A.C. 6:29-9.3(a)	1 <sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE (POINTS TBD) · Parent notification · Immediate medical examination including urinalysis to verify use and determine extent of use · SRO notified and municipal complaint filed (if drug test is positive) · Suspension 5-10 day external suspension upon verification of positive diagnosis of alcohol, drugs, or use · Medical statement substantiating a student's state of well being is required before re-entry after positive diagnosis of chemical use. This also pertains to students who are returning after completing a drug treatment program. · Student and parent/guardian referral to the school substance abuse counselor for treatment, after-care, and re-entry plan. · Student will be required to attend drug counseling sessions with the school's Substance Abuse Counselor (SAC) · On-going random urine monitoring. The monitoring will be in place for one calendar year from the offense. 2 <sup>ND</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (POINTS TBD) · All of the above <i>PLUS</i> : · Superintendent's hearing which may result in a Board of Education disciplinary hearing
40.	OTC (Over The Counter) Medications - Possession/Consumption	1 <sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE (1 POINT) · 1 day ISS (internal suspension) · Municipal complaint may be filed 2 <sup>ND</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (POINTS TBD) · Any additional offenses will result in an external suspension pending a superintendent's hearing
41.	OTC (Over The Counter) Medications - Distribution	1 <sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE (6 POINTS) · 3 days OSS (external suspension) · Municipal complaint may be filed 2 <sup>ND</sup> AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES (POINTS TBD) · Any additional offenses will result in an external suspension pending a superintendent's hearing

42.	Smoking/ Included possession of Tobacco Products or Paraphernalia (includes students who are seen exhaling smoke/vapor, using chewing tobacco or other tobacco product)  <i>Smoking on school grounds or in vehicles on school grounds is prohibited by law!</i>	1 <sup>ST</sup> OFFENSE (1 POINT) · 1day ISS (internal suspension) · Parent notification · Referral to SAC for smoking cessation program · Municipal Complaint will be filed 2 <sup>ND</sup> OFFENSE (2 POINTS) · 2 day ISS (internal suspension) · Referral to SAC for smoking cessation program · Municipal Complaint will be filed · Loss of privileges to be determined by the Administrator
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### **DISCIPLINARY POINTS AND CONSEQUENCES**

A point system has been established in conjunction with the discipline code in West Deptford Middle School. Students who receive discipline referrals, which result in an Internal/External Suspension(s), will receive discipline points. The student, who shows good behavior in terms of not receiving any referrals, will be entitled to a reduction in the total number of points he/she has accumulated. The reduction will be at the rate of two points per twenty (20) consecutive school days.

Disciplinary conferences will be conducted at various point accumulation levels. The purpose of the conference will be to review the student’s progress and to provide interventions involving the student, administration, counselor and parents/guardians.

Four Point Conference- Guidance Counselor

Upon accumulating the fourth (4) discipline point, the guidance counselor will be notified. Subsequently any review of the student’s progress will include discussion of current status with regard to discipline to reinforce and make the student aware school rules and regulations.

Eight Point Conference – Assistant Principal

Upon accumulating eight (8) discipline points or more a meeting can be held with the parents, guidance counselor, building administrator and student. At this conference, the student’s academic progress, disciplinary record, and attendance will be reviewed and recommended courses of action will be discussed with the parents for improved student performance.

After the accumulation of eight (8) discipline points, the student will no longer have the privilege of participating in interscholastic athletics, attend any school-sponsored events (dances, field trips, socials, etc.), or any co-curricular activities, until the student’s discipline point total is less than eight (8) points.

Twelve Point Conference - Principal

Upon accumulating twelve (12) discipline points or more a meeting can be held with the parents, guidance counselor, principal, assistant principal, and the student. At this conference, the student’s academic, disciplinary, and attendance records will be reviewed and recommended courses of action will be discussed with the parents for improved student performance.

**NOTE: Case managers of classified students may be required to attend conferences at the eight, twelve, and higher point levels.**

Reduction of Points

In order to motivate pupils toward more positive social behavior, the following procedure has been instituted: The student, who shows good behavior in terms of not receiving any referrals, will be entitled to a reduction in the total number of points he/she has accumulated. The reduction will be at the rate of two (2) points per twenty (20) consecutive school days. **At the end of each school year, discipline points are removed. Students will begin each school year with no points.**