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**STUDENT DISCIPLINE**

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**I. PURPOSE**

Achieve Language Academy believes that appropriate school behavior is critical to academic success and sustaining a rich and effective learning community. It is the purpose of this policy to establish that student instructional time lost due to removal from classes due to misbehavior be minimized. It is also important to ensure a safe and orderly learning and working environment for all students and staff. The District looks to parents and families to partner in the teaching and supporting of appropriate school behavior to maximize the academic success of their students.

**II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

The school board recognizes that individual responsibility and mutual respect are essential components of the education process. The school board further recognizes that all students are entitled to learn and receive an education in a setting which promotes self-control and respect of self, others, and property.

To that end, the Achieve Language Academy expectation is that students conduct themselves in a manner appropriate to maintain a climate in which learning may take place. The expectation and encouragement of proper student conduct is necessary to facilitate the education process and to create an atmosphere conducive to high student achievement. The policy, however, must also balance the rights, safety, security and opportunities of other students to provide a positive learning environment for all.

It is the position of the school that a fair and equitable student discipline policy will contribute to the quality of the student's educational experience. This discipline policy is adopted in accordance with and subject to the Minnesota Pupil Fair Dismissal Act.

Details regarding student expectations, inappropriate behaviors, disciplinary actions, discipline complaint procedures, and other details related to student discipline are available in the Student Discipline Procedure document kept on file at the front office.



### **III. DISTRIBUTION OF POLICY**

Copies of this discipline policy shall be distributed to all students and parents at the commencement of each school year and to all new students and parents upon enrollment. Achieve Language Academy provides access to policies through the school website. This policy shall also be available upon request in the office.

#### ***LEGAL REFERENCES:***

Minn. Stat. Ch. 13 (Minnesota Government Data Practices Act)  
Minn. Stat. § 121A.40-121A.575 (Pupil Fair Dismissal Act)  
Minn. Stat. § 121A.58 (Corporal Punishment)  
20 U.S.C. §§ 1400-1487 (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act)  
29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq. (Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973)

#### **POLICY REFERENCES**

Achieve Language Academy Policy 501 (School Weapons Policy)