

Substantive Rights

Purpose

This policy defines the basic rights of students of Valley School District, and reasonable limitations on those rights.

Scope

This policy applies to all Valley School District staff, parents and students.

Policy

1. In addition to the rights set forth in the constitution and laws of the United States and in the constitution of the state of Washington and all rights retained by the people, the following shall be substantive rights of pupils in the school district:
 - (a) The school district shall not deny any pupil equal education opportunity or discriminate against any pupil because of national origin, race, religion, economic status, or sex. Furthermore no pupil shall be denied such opportunities solely because of pregnancy, marital status, previous arrest, previous incarceration, or a physical, mental, or sensory handicap.
 - (b) Pupils shall have the right of freedom of speech, the right to peaceable assembly and to petition the government and its representatives for redress of grievances.
 - (c) Pupils shall have the right to be secure in their persons, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures.
 - (d) No pupil shall be deprived of an equal educational opportunity by the school district without due process of law.
 - (e) Pupils shall have the right to be free from unlawful interference in their pursuit of an education in the custody of the school district.
2. These rights are subject to the school district's authority to make reasonable rules and regulations bearing a real and substantial relationship to the direct preservation for their own, their fellow pupils, or the public's health and safety, or for the maintenance of the educational process.

Related Procedures

N/A

Policy Cross References

3200-Rights and Responsibilities

Policy Legal References

N/A

Management Resources

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