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VANDALISM

Any student involved in the act of vandalism which includes, but is not limited to the destruction of public, private, or school property during any school activity, including field trips, during and after the normal school day, will receive detention according to the discipline policy and will make the appropriate restitution in response to the vandalism.

CELLULAR PHONES/ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Cellular phones/electronic devices may be used after the school day concludes at 3:05 P.M. and on weekends. The rest of the time (during/throughout the school day), cellular phones/electronic devices must be turned off, kept off, and kept out of sight. The exception is when a student is serving a 5:45 detention; his/her school day will end at the conclusion of that detention.

The Tussey Mountain School District will not be liable for stolen cellular phones or electronic devices.

If a student is found in violation of this policy, the cellular phone/electronic device will be confiscated, taken to the office, and kept until retrieved by the student's parent/guardian. The student will also be disciplined according to the policy outlined in the student/parent handbook.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The Tussey Mountain School District (TMSD) is committed to the provision of a healthful environment for its students.
- 1.2 In fulfillment of that commitment, the Board has and will continue to seek guidance from appropriate medical, educational, legal and government authorities. This policy statement is the result of such guidance.
- 1.3 Any and all applicable federal, state, and local laws and health regulations are hereby incorporated into this policy and the superintendent is given all necessary authority to comply with such laws and regulations.

The Tussey Mountain School District has responsibility to safeguard the welfare of all students. Therefore, the Tussey Mountain School District may investigate each reported case to determine how each student's educational needs can best be met and how to protect the health and welfare of all students of the Tussey Mountain School District.

The Board is also cognizant of the fact that some students who receive educational services in the Tussey Mountain School District programs are assigned to buildings operated by other public or non-public educational agencies; therefore, the policies of those agencies shall take precedent over this Tussey Mountain School District policy. In the absence of any such policy, this Tussey Mountain School District policy will govern.

2. Authority

- 2.1 This policy will apply to all students in the Tussey Mountain S. D. operated programs including adult education students and non-public students.
- 2.2 Management of this Tussey Mountain S.D. policy will be the responsibility of the superintendent.
- 2.3 The ultimate decision on implementation, amendment and/or definition of this policy shall be with the Tussey Mountain S.D. Board of Directors.

3. Placement

- 3.1 If the superintendent has reasonable cause to believe that a student is a danger to others due to having a communicable disease, he/she may temporarily exclude the student from school until the Student Review Team meets to make a placement recommendation.
- 3.2 The Student Review Team will be chaired by the superintendent who will appoint the following as members where appropriate: the principal and/or supervisor of the student's building where the program is located, the student's physician, the Tussey Mountain S.D. physician, the intermediate unit psychologist, the student's teacher, school nurse, if appropriate, and a representative of the appropriate County Department of Health.
- 3.3 In the absence of a medical diagnostic evaluation by the student's physician, the superintendent may require the student to submit to a medical diagnostic evaluation at the expense of the Tussey Mountain S.D. If the identified student, by his parent or guardian, refuses to waive the physician/patient privilege of the student thereby preventing the physician from revealing the results of the medical diagnostic evaluation to the Student Review Team, the Tussey Mountain S.D. may exclude the student from school.
- 3.4 Each diagnosed case may be individually and periodically reviewed by the Student Review Team based on (1) the current Guidelines of the Center for Disease Control and other pertinent data, and (2) each student's right to an education.
- 3.5 For all students and adult education students, the Student Review Team will make a recommendation as to the health risk to the school community associated with the diagnosed communicable disease. The Student Review Team will make a recommendation regarding the participation of the student in school. The Superintendent will implement this decision on placement of the student. For all students, appropriate due process procedures will be followed.
- 3.6 Decisions regarding placement will be based on the following criteria: medical

diagnostic evaluation, weight of evidence, the student's likelihood of presenting a risk of infection to others, and the student's potential for unusual behavior that might result in the transmission of the communicable disease.

4. Confidentiality

- 4.1 The number of people informed of the student's status will be kept to the minimum required to assure proper care and supervision of the student as well as to protect the school population and in conformance with the Center for Disease Control Guidelines.

5. Curriculum

- 5.1 Instruction on awareness of communicable diseases will be incorporated as part of the Tussey Mountain S.D. classroom based curriculum.

6. Adoption of Policy

- 6.1 This policy was adopted by the Tussey Mountain S.D. at a regularly advertised and scheduled meeting held the 13th day of June 1988.

GUIDELINES FOR THE COLLECTION, MAINTENANCE AND DISSEMINATION OF STUDENT RECORDS

The educational interests of the pupil and of society require the collection, retention, and use of information about individual pupils and groups of pupils. The Board also is concerned with protecting the right of each student against an unwarranted invasion of privacy. The primary purpose of pupil record keeping shall be the educational welfare and advancement of the pupil.

The Board has adopted this policy to insure the privacy rights of both the parents and the exceptional child in the collection, maintenance, release, and destruction of these records. Toward that end, this policy incorporates provisions from the Regulations of the State Board of Education on Pupil Records (PA Code 22, Ch. 12), the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act - "IDEA" - P.L. 101-476, the Confidentiality Standards for Special Education (PA Code 22, Ch. 342), and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.

The Tussey Mountain School District either collects, generates, and/or maintains information that is part of a student's educational record. This information is gathered either through group assessments or "screening" procedures covered by school district policy, school district personnel with specific parental consent, by transfer from another educational agency, or from third party sources with parental consent.

The Tussey Mountain School District shall: