

PROHIBITED FORMS OF DISCIPLINE

The Franklinton High School Board expects administration, faculty, and staff to use counseling, referral, and communication with parents to promote appropriate positive student behavior.

Prohibited practices

Corporal punishment is prohibited and shall not be used as a form of discipline in the school.

Physical restraint is prohibited and shall not be used as a form of discipline in the school. This means the use of physical contact that immobilizes or reduces the ability of a student to move arms, legs, body, or head freely. This prohibition does not include brief but necessary physical contact to break up a fight, knock a weapon from a student's possession, to calm or comfort, or to prevent an impulsive behavior that threatens a student's immediate safety (e.g. running in front of a car).

Seclusion is prohibited and shall not be used as a form of discipline in the school. Seclusion is defined as the involuntary isolation of a student in a room, enclosure, or space from which the student is prevented from leaving by physical restraint, or by a closed door or other physical barrier.

Training and professional development

FHS will ensure that all school staff receive training and support for using Restorative Practices in classrooms and in all school activities as the means for developing and maintaining a productive and positive school environment.

To be prepared should these procedures be needed, FHA will ensure that at least two staff members are trained in crisis management and de-escalating techniques. Documentation of training, and personnel receiving that training, will be maintained.

Monitoring and complaint processes

Any incidents requiring the use of restraint or seclusion will immediately be reported to the school leader, to parents, and be documented in writing. Parents may request an investigation into the incident. The school leader will initiate an investigation into the incident and will respond to parents within 30 days.

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