



LEBANON SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Policy Description:

Corporal Punishment

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1 Corporal punishment may be administered by the principal, assistant principal, or by an administrative
2 designee according to the following provisions of the Lebanon Special School District Board Policy:

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4 The following regulations shall apply to the use of corporal punishment:

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- 6 • Only in extreme cases and after more positive actions have been taken;
- 7 • Privately in the presence of another professional staff member as a witness – under no
8 circumstances may other peers be present;
- 9 • In a manner which is not degrading or embarrassing to the student being disciplined;
- 10 • Humanely, with reasonable restraint, and never in anger;
- 11 • When appropriate, the student may be given a choice between corporal punishment and another
12 disciplinary measure by the school administrator;
- 13 • Administered using an appropriate paddle across the buttocks and in no other manner so that it
14 is assured that no part of the head or face is struck; and
- 15 • The number of contacts with the paddle shall not exceed two.
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17 Corporal punishment is not:

- 18 • To be confused with acts of self-defense upon the part of the teacher in extreme situations of
19 student aggression;
- 20 • Physical force used in any manner to obtain student compliance; or
- 21 • Physical intervention used by a staff member to separate a student fight.
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24 Parental objection, medical statement, or statement by a psychological examiner indicating the possibility
25 of risk to a student's well-being may be filed with the school at any time within a given school year and
26 will be honored.

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47 Legal References:

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