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Policy JLI

Safe & Respectful Learning Environments

The New Frontiers School Board (NFSB) and the schools and centres' governing boards believe that everyone in its community is entitled to a safe, secure, and respectful learning environment. Education should prepare students to become responsible citizens based on principles of respect, diversity, equality, empathy and inclusion. To that end, it is believed that schools must provide orderly and caring learning environments.

Safe and respectful schools and centres are maintained by establishing clear expectations for students and staff, where everyone:

- Demonstrate appreciation for the dignity and integrity of all.
- Respect persons belonging to various social, cultural, religious, and ethnic groups.
- Acquire the pro-social behaviours necessary for responsible citizenship
- Learn to be accountable for their actions.
- Follow the Rules of Conduct & Safety established by each school and centre.
- Respect the decisions of those in authority.

The NFSB also believes that the schools board's administrators, staff, parents, volunteers, governing boards, and students have a responsibility to ensure that the right to be safe and secure in a school or centre is upheld.

Purpose

The NFSB is committed to ensuring the right of each and every student to develop and learn in a safe educational environment, which supports the goals of public education in accordance with the Education Act.

This umbrella policy is designed to provide a framework for governance supportive of safe and respectful schools, and references policies supporting it in the areas of safety, health, and the development of pro-social behaviour. The development of responsible pro-social behaviour needs to be nurtured in all students', ensuring a safe learning environments for all.

Scope

These policies apply to all students of the New Frontiers School Board. Students registered in adult education fall under the jurisdiction of the governing boards of the adult and vocational centres. Accordingly, such policies must address the issues of sanction and dismissal for inappropriate behaviour.

General Provisions

Safety:

The safety of our students and staff remains a daily priority for all and the following policies encompass the various aspects of the safety measures in place. It is not meant to be final and can be modified and expanded upon whenever necessary through the policy identification process.

Policy ADC	Use of Tobacco on School Board Property
Policy EBC	Emergency Preparedness
Policy EEA	Transportation of Students
OG IJOAA	Communication with Parents under Emergency Circumstances
Policy JIJH	Student Use of Information Communication Tools
Policy JLIF	Ice Rink Safety

Health:

In accordance with the Government's framework policy for healthy eating and active living, the NFSB has implemented policies and organizational guides to promote, monitor, and track health-related issues and concerns. It is not meant to be final and can be modified and expanded upon whenever necessary through the identification process.

Policy ADG	Healthy Eating & Active Living
Policy EBBA	Control of Contagious Diseases in Schools
Policy JLCD	Administration of Prescribed Medication to Students
Policy JLCE	First Aid
OG JLCG	Anaphylaxis

Pro-Social Behaviour:

Across the system, the culture of pro-social behaviour and mutual respect for all is adhered to. In the case of any misconduct in this regard, the following policies play an important role in reestablishing a standard of behaviour that is both safe and respectful for all. Rules of Conduct & Safety at the school and centre level, align with these policies, acting in a mutually supportive manner. It is not meant to be final and can be modified and expanded upon whenever necessary.

Policy GBAA	Protection of Employees, Students, & Non-Employees from Harassment & Discrimination
OG GBEBD	Physical Assault on Students by Board Employees
Policy GBGB	Physical Assault or Intimidation of Board Employees
OG JICD	Rules of Conduct & Safety
OG JICH	Student Discipline: Procedure Related to the Possession of Alcohol or Illegal Drugs
OG JICI	Student Discipline: Procedure Related to the Possession of Weapons
Policy JK	Student Discipline
OG JKA	Corporal Punishment
OG JLF	Allegations of Sexual Abuse in the School System
