

Corporal Punishment

The use of corporal punishment in any form is strictly prohibited. No students will be subject to the infliction of corporal punishment.

Corporal punishment is defined as the willful infliction of, or willfully causing the infliction of, physical pain.

A staff member is authorized to employ reasonable physical force upon a student only when, in his/her professional judgment, such force is necessary to prevent a student from harming self, others or doing harm to High Desert ESD property and to the extent the application of physical force is consistent with ORS 339.285-339.303. Physical force shall not be used to discipline or punish a student.

Any staff person observing another employee or volunteer using corporal punishment, physical discipline, or physical abuse is required to report it to his/her own supervisor and follow the district child abuse reporting procedure.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 161.205
ORS 339.240
ORS 339.250

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