

## **STUDENTS**

# 5131.5

### **VANDALISM**

#### **Vandalism by Minors**

The parent or guardian of any minor/un-emancipated child who willfully cuts, defaces or otherwise injures property, real or personal, belonging to the school district shall be held liable for all such damages up to the maximum allowed under State law.

The liability provided under Connecticut General Statutes 52-572 does not relieve the minor(s) of personal liability for such damage or injury. This liability of the parent or parents or guardian, other than a temporary guardian appointed pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 45a-622 for damages done by a minor child is in addition to any other liability which exists in law.

The parent or guardian of a minor child shall also be held liable for all property belonging to the school system lent to the pupil and not returned upon demand of the school system. The student may also be liable to disciplinary action.

#### **Vandalism by an Adult Student**

Any adult student shall be held personally liable for any damage done to any property, real or personal, belonging to the school district. The student may also be subject to disciplinary action.

#### **Notification**

When required by Board policy or when warranted in the judgment of the administration, the building administrator shall make a formal complaint to the police.

The Superintendent shall ensure that students and parents or guardians of minor students are informed of this policy annually or at the time of enrollment of a transfer student.

Legal Reference:       Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-221(b)  
                              Conn. Gen. Stat. § 52-572

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