

Policy Subject CORPORAL PUNISHMENT	Location Code 405.11	Adoption Date 8/13/84
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The 1989 State Legislature prohibited corporal punishment in public schools. However, corporal punishment is not to be confused with physical force used by a teacher or employee to protect another person from personal attack or threat, to protect himself, or to protect a student from doing harm to himself, herself, others, to school property or property of others. Nor should corporal punishment be confused with grasping or touching a pupil with no intent to inflict bodily harm, school detentions, strategies written into an individual educational plan, or usual and reasonable punishments such as but not limited to running laps, push-ups, or sit-ups.

Corporal punishment would include such force as striking, hitting, or kicking with an appendage or object with the intent of physical punishment or the infliction of pain.

Any act determined by the building principal or administrator after investigation to be corporal punishment shall be recorded and filed in the employee's permanent file. Teachers or employees committing a corporal punishment act shall be subject to oral and/or written reprimand, suspension, or termination.