

SOUTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: CARE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY

ADOPTED: January 7, 1974

REVISED: September 22, 1975; May 6, 2013

<p><i>Replaces former policies 5131.4</i></p> <p>1. Purpose</p> <p>2. Authority</p> <p>SC 777 Pol. 218, 233</p> <p>3. Delegation of Responsibility SC 109, 801</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">224. CARE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY</p> <p>The Board believes that the schools should help students learn to respect property and develop feelings of pride in community institutions.</p> <p>The Board charges each student in the district's schools with responsibility for the proper care of the school property, school supplies and equipment entrusted to the student's use.</p> <p>It is the policy of the Board that students who willfully cause damage to school property shall be subject to disciplinary measures. Students and others who damage or deface school property may be prosecuted and punished under law. Parents/Guardians shall be held accountable for the actions of their child.</p> <p>The Board may report to appropriate juvenile authorities any student whose damage of school property is serious or chronic in nature. In no case shall referral to juvenile authorities be made without prior notification to the student's parent/guardian.</p> <p>The Superintendent or his or her designee shall develop administrative regulations to implement this policy.</p> <p>The Superintendent or his or her designee shall submit a report on incidences of vandalism to the Board.</p> <p>Vandalism reports shall include the number and kind of incident, cost to the district, and related information the Superintendent or his or her designee deems necessary.</p> <p>References: School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 109, 777, 801 Board Policy – 000, 218, 233</p> <p>NOTE: Criminal mischief/institutional vandalism, criminal trespass – 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 3304 et seq. (Crimes Code) (Act 116 of 2002)</p>
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