

CERRA VISTA School-wide Discipline Definitions

INFRACTION	DEFINITION	
M I N O R	Defiance (Minor)	To ignore staff directives. To not do as told.
	Disorderly Conduct (Minor)	Campus, classroom, or bus disruption by a student due to inappropriate behavior.
	Disrespect (Minor)	To not hold in high regard and to show lack of consideration (making comments, faces, talking under breath, walking away, tone of voice and intent)
	Disruption (Minor)	To interrupt or interfere with the learning process
	Gum or Eating in Class	No gum is allowed anywhere on campus. Food and drinks are only allowed in classrooms during rainy day lunch or class parties when the teacher specifically gives permission. Water bottles are ok. No food or drink is ever allowed in the library or computer lab.
	Foul Language/Profanity	Use of vulgar or profane language
	Gossiping/Spreading Rumors	Telling something mildly personal or untrue about someone.
	Horseplay/Play-fighting	Engaging in mutual physical contact even if in fun (body shots, pushing in line, arm wrestling, etc.)
	Littering	Throwing or leaving trash anywhere on campus.
	Prohibited Items (low-level)	*Cell phone possession or in desk, cameras, radios, MP3 players, iPods, electronic games, permanent markers, toys, live animals, stuffed animals, slam books, skateboards, scooters, trading cards, or anything used for gambling and any other object that might interfere or interrupt the learning process or the safety and security of the school environment.
	Public Displays of Affection	Hugging, kissing, embracing, placing arms around one another, or other shows of affection
	Teasing/name calling	Putting someone down or making fun of someone. Bothering someone.
	Unprepared for class	Not bringing required classroom materials
	S E R I O U S	Assault
Bullying (Verbal/Emotional)		Repeated malicious teasing/put-downs or purposeful exclusion. Causing someone to fear for their safety or reputation.
Cheating		Copying work (including but not limited to tests, quizzes, exams, homework, projects, etc.) or allowing work to be copied. Using unauthorized resources to find answers on tests, quizzes and exams.
Defiance (Major)		To verbally, rudely or publicly defy any teacher, staff member or volunteer
Disrespect (Major)		To not hold in high regard and to show lack of consideration (making comments, faces, talking under breath, using hand gestures, walking away, tone of voice and intent)
Disruption (Major)		To interrupt or interfere with the learning process
Disorderly Conduct (Major)		Campus or classroom disruption by a student due to inappropriate behavior.
Forgery		Student signs or prints someone else's name
Foul Language/Profanity directed to Staff Member		Use of vulgar or profane language under any circumstances directed to a staff member and/or in a public manner
Gossiping/Spreading rumors		Spreading rumors with the intent of creating <u>emotional</u> harm
S E V E R E		Assault
	Bullying (Physical)	Threatening, harassing, or intimidating others.
	Discriminatory language/ behavior (Hate Crimes)	Incident/crime motivated by hostility toward a person's disability, gender, nationality, race, religion, or sexual orientation
	Drug Use or Possession includes Alcohol and Tobacco	Possession, use, sale, or otherwise providing any drug, narcotic, intoxicant, behavior-altering substance, alcohol or tobacco products or related paraphernalia on campus, on the way to school or on the way back home from school
	Extortion/Harassment	Any act that threatens, injures, degrades or disgraces a fellow student. Demanding payment in exchange for not inflicting harm
	Fighting	Mutual combat (two or more people fighting each other).

	Hazing	Any kind of emotional or physical harm inflicted with the purpose of being accepted into a specific group/ Inappropriate and/or disruptive celebration of birthday
	Prohibited Items (high-level)	Explosives of any kind (matches, lighters, caps, firecrackers, poppers, cartridges, live ammunition, aerosol cans-paint, solvents), weapons (guns, knives, heavy chains, sharpened objects, replicas)
	Sexual Harassment	Unwelcome sexual advances (verbal, visual or physical)
	Smoking or use of tobacco	See Drug Use
	Theft	Act of stealing school or personal property
	Threat to Staff Member	Any act threatening to injure, degrade, or disgrace a school employee
	Vandalism	Damage, defacement or graffiti to school or private property
	Verbal threats/intimidation	Any verbal or written statement that threatens physical harm or injury. This includes drawings.
O T H E R	Dress Guideline Violation	Not being dressed according to school dress guidelines: no revealing, distracting, offensive, or gang-affiliated clothing or accessories, including "Famous" Brand apparel. No words or pictures of controlled substances or weapons of any kind. No flip flops—footwear must be appropriate for physical education activities that involve running. No spaghetti straps, low or too tight tops, too short shorts or skirts. No sagging pants or visible underwear. Hats and hoods are to be worn outside only. No hair carvings.
	No Show to Detention, Circuit or Benching	Failure to attend a detention or other consequence that is assigned by any staff member.
	Tardy	Not being in your classroom seat on time
	Truancy	Absent from class or full day without authorized excuse (parent note, doctor note, or contract)

*if any prohibited items are brought to campus and are reported lost, stolen or misplaced, the school will not spend an inordinate amount of time investigating their recovery.