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The Board of Education believes that the students of this district are entitled to an education free from undue disruption. Students who willfully disrupt the educational program shall be subject to the discipline procedures of this district. Every reasonable effort shall be made to determine and remediate the cause or causes of a chronically disruptive student's unacceptable conduct.

For the purposes of this policy, "disruptive student" means the student who has difficulty establishing good relationships with peers and adult authority figures and who exhibits a pattern of conduct which is in defiance of school rules or regulations and which hinders academic success for other students as well as for himself or herself.

Disruptive students may be disciplined in accordance with Policy No. 5600. Disruptions that result from acts of violence, including fights, shall result in placement of students who are affirmed to be the aggressors of such acts in the district alternative education program, commonly referred to as the Extended Day Program (EDP).

A disruptive student who does not appear to be disabled may be referred to the Intervention Referral Team (IRT) in accordance with Policy No. 2417.

A disruptive student who may have disabilities shall be referred to the Child Study Team for evaluation in accordance with Policy and Regulation Nos. 2460 et seq.

The Superintendent shall report regularly to the Board the incidence of acts of violence and vandalism in the school district and shall prepare a remedial plan whenever the report shows a significant increase in the number of such acts.

N.J.S.A. 18A:17-46 et seq.; 18A:37-1 et seq. N.J.A.C. 6A:14-1.1 et seq.

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