

## 602.5AP – Swarming

### Purpose

In an effort to continue to provide a safe, caring and inclusive learning environment for all, students are expected to conduct themselves in a respectful and safe manner in and around the school.

### Definition of Swarming:

The act of being enroute to, or attending a potentially violent situation and/or

- promoting violence
- refusing to leave
- engaging in verbal abuse
- making a recording/posting of the incident on any social media site
- physically hampering a person from leaving, or any act or omission that is endangering the well-being, health and safety of any person under the care or jurisdiction of the school.

### Procedure

Students need to recognize that, when they participate in a group, they become liable for the group's actions. Students continuing to engage in potentially violent situations, in particular "swarming", could expect to receive consequences in accordance with the *AP 344 - Code of Conduct*, *AP 312 – Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying* and *AP 345 - Student Suspension*.

### Legal References:

<b>Monitoring Method:</b>	<i>Board of Education / Superintendent</i>
<b>Monitoring Frequency:</b>	<i>Annual</i>
<b>Previous Policy Number:</b>	<i>A311</i>
<b>Adopted:</b>	<i>2003.04.23</i>
<b>Amended:</b>	<i>2016.02.19; 2025.01.27</i>

References: *AP 345 – Student Suspension*  
*AP 312 – Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying*  
*AP 344 – Code of Conduct*