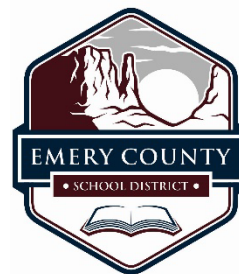


Emery County School District



Policy: FHAЕ - Disruptive Student Behavior

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Disruptive Student Behavior

It is a violation of District policy for a student to engage in disruptive student behavior. Disruptive student behavior includes:

1. Frequent or flagrant willful disobedience, defiance of proper authority, or disruptive behavior, including the use of foul, profane, vulgar, or abusive language;
2. Willful destruction or defacing of school property;
3. Behavior or threatened behavior which poses an immediate and significant threat to the welfare, safety, or morals of other students or school personnel or to the operation of the school;
4. Illicit use, possession, or distribution of a controlled substance, drug paraphernalia, a tobacco product, an electronic cigarette product, or an alcoholic;
5. The commission of an act involving the use of force or the threatened use of force which if committed by an adult would be a felony or class A misdemeanor.
6. Behavior listed below which threatens harm or does harm to the school or school property, or to a person associated with the school, or property associated with that person, regardless of where it occurs; as well as violation listed below that affect another student or staff member, or any serious violation occurring in a school building, in or on school property, or in conjunction with any school activity, including:
 - a. the possession, control, or actual or threatened use of a real weapon, explosive, or noxious or flammable material;
 - b. the actual or threatened use of a look-alike weapon with intent to intimidate another person or to disrupt normal school activities; or
 - c. the sale, control, or distribution of a drug or controlled substance as defined in [Utah Code § 58-37-2](#), an imitation controlled substance defined in [Utah Code § 58-37b-2](#), or drug paraphernalia as defined in [Utah Code § 58-37a-3](#).
7. Hazing, demeaning, or assaultive behavior, whether consensual or not, including behavior involving physical violence, restraint, improper touching, or inappropriate exposure of body parts not normally exposed in public settings, forced ingestion of any substance, or any act which would constitute a crime against a person or public order under Utah law.

[Utah Code § 53G-8-210 \(2020\)](#) [Utah Code § 53G-209](#)

Notice of Disruptive Student Behavior

A school principal or the principal's designee shall issue a Notice of Disruptive Student Behavior to a student, nine years of age or older, who:

1. Engages in disruptive student behavior, which does not result in suspension or expulsion, three

times during the school year; or

2. Engages in disruptive student behavior, which results in suspension or expulsion, once during the school year.

The Notice of Disruptive Student Behavior shall:

1. Include a list of available resources, including a school counselor or other school representative designated to work with the student, to assist the parent in resolving the student's disruptive behavior problem before the student becomes subject to the jurisdiction of the juvenile court as discussed below;
2. Require the student and a parent of the student to meet with school authorities to discuss the student's disruptive behavior and cooperate in correcting the disruptive student behavior;
3. Outline the procedure the parent can follow to contest the notice of disruptive student behavior; and
4. Shall be mailed by certified mail to, or served on, the parent of the student.

[Utah Code § 53G-8-210](#)

[Utah Admin. Rules R277-609-10](#)

A copy of the Notice of Disruptive Student Behavior and any related documentation shall be retained by the school as documentation regarding the notice.

Habitual Disruptive Student Behavior Notice

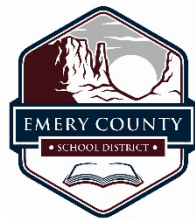
A habitual disruptive student behavior notice may only be issued by the school principal, a designee of the school principal, or a truancy specialist, to a student, nine years or age or older, who:

1. Engages in disruptive student behavior, that does not result in suspension or expulsion, at least six times during the school year;
2. Engages in disruptive student behavior, that (A) does not result in suspension or expulsion, at least three times during the school year; and (B) that results in suspension or expulsion, at least once during the school year; or
3. Engages in disruptive student behavior that results in suspension or expulsion at least twice during the school year.

Within five days after the day on which a habitual disruptive student behavior notice is issued, a representative of the school district shall provide documentation, to a parent of the student who receives the notice, of the efforts to attempt to resolve the minor's disruptive student behavior problems made by the designated school counselor or representative identified in the notice of disruptive student behavior.

[Utah Code § 53G-8-210](#)

EMERY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT



NOTICE OF DISRUPTIVE STUDENT BEHAVIOR

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____ School: _____

Date of Notice: _____

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This notice is to inform you that your student has engaged in **disruptive student behavior** as defined in Utah Code §53G-8-210 and District policy. Because your student is **nine years of age or older** and has met the criteria listed below, the school is required to issue this formal notice.

Reason for This Notice

Your student has engaged in disruptive student behavior:

Three (3) incidents during the school year that did **not** result in suspension or expulsion One (1) incident during the school year that **did** result in suspension or expulsion

Date(s) of incident(s):

Description of Disruptive Behavior

(Select all that apply)

- Willful disobedience, defiance, or disruptive behavior
- Destruction or defacing of school property
- Behavior or threats posing a safety or welfare risk
- Illicit use, possession, or distribution of controlled substances, tobacco, e-cigarettes, or alcohol
- Use or threatened use of force that would constitute a felony or class A misdemeanor if committed by an adult
- Behavior threatening harm to school, property, students, or staff
- Possession or threatened use of a weapon, explosive, or noxious/flammable material
- Use or threatened use of a look-alike weapon
- Sale, control, or distribution of controlled substances or paraphernalia
- Hazing, demeaning, or assaultive behavior

Required Parent/Student Meeting

You and your student are required to meet with school authorities to discuss the behavior and develop a plan for improvement.

Meeting Date/Time: _____

School Representative: _____

Available Resources

The following supports are available to assist your student:

- School counselor: _____
- School social worker/psychologist: _____
- Behavior intervention support: _____
- Community or district family support services: _____

Right to Contest This Notice

You may contest this notice by submitting a written request to the school principal within **10 school days** of receiving it.

Recordkeeping

A copy of this notice and all related documentation will be retained by the school as required by Utah Code §53G-8-210 and Utah Admin. Rule R277-609-10.

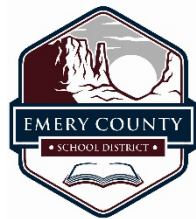
Principal/Designee Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (acknowledgment of receipt): _____ **Date:**

(Signature acknowledges receipt, not agreement.)

EMERY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT



HABITUAL DISRUPTIVE STUDENT BEHAVIOR NOTICE

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____ **School:** _____

Date of Notice: _____

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This notice is to inform you that your student has been identified as engaging in **habitual disruptive student behavior** as defined in Utah Code §53G-8-210. Because your student is **nine years of age or older** and has met the criteria below, the school is required to issue this formal notice.

Criteria for Habitual Disruptive Behavior

Your student has met one or more of the following:

- Six (6) or more disruptive incidents not resulting in suspension/expulsion

Three (3) or more disruptive incidents not resulting in suspension/expulsion **and** one (1) resulting in suspension/expulsion

Two (2) or more disruptive incidents resulting in suspension/expulsion

Date(s) of incident(s): _____

Description of Disruptive Behavior

(Select all that apply)

- Willful disobedience, defiance, or disruptive behavior
- Destruction or defacing of school property
- Behavior or threats posing a safety or welfare risk
- Illicit use, possession, or distribution of controlled substances, tobacco, e-cigarettes, or alcohol
- Use or threatened use of force that would constitute a felony or class A misdemeanor if committed by an adult
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- Use or threatened use of a look-alike weapon
- Sale, control, or distribution of controlled substances or paraphernalia
- Hazing, demeaning, or assaultive behavior

Required Parent/Student Meeting

You and your student are required to meet with school authorities to review the ongoing concerns and revise or develop a behavior improvement plan.

Meeting Date/Time: _____

School Representative: _____

Documentation of School Efforts

Within **five (5) days** of this notice, the district will provide documentation of:

- Interventions attempted
- Supports offered
- Communication with parent/guardian
- Behavioral plans or adjustments made

Available Resources

The following supports remain available to assist your student:

- School counselor: _____
- School social worker/psychologist: _____
- Behavior intervention support: _____
- Community or district family support services: _____

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Recordkeeping

A copy of this notice and all related documentation will be retained by the school as required by Utah Code §53G-8-210.

Principal/Designee Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (acknowledgment of receipt): _____ **Date:**

(Signature acknowledges receipt, not agreement.)