

## **4018 Corporal Punishment**

Corporal punishment, defined as any act of physical force upon a student for the purpose of punishing that student, is prohibited.

Some physical contact is inevitable, and most of it is appropriate. Therefore, physical contact, short of corporal punishment, is acceptable to promote personal interaction with students, to maintain order and control, and to protect persons and property.

Employees may use physical force only where reasonable and necessary for supervisory control over students. Situations where physical force may be reasonable and necessary include:

- self defense;
- protecting others from physical injury;
- protecting property of the district or others;
- removing a student who has refused to comply with requests to refrain from disruptive behavior.

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