100.10 Student Discipline Policy

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Guiding Principles

We believe

- that all students and staff have a right to learn and work in a safe, respectful environment that is focused on learning.
- that everyone can learn to make responsible decisions
- that effective communication includes courtesy and respect.
- that diversity among students and staff is to be celebrated and protected
- that commonly-accepted conduct is to be practiced by all members of a learning community
- that age, maturity, cognitive ability and previous behaviour will be taken into consideration when defining unacceptable behavior and the consequences that follow.

Policy

- 1. The school will develop a Code of Conduct that defines expected behaviour.
- 2. The Code of Conduct will be reviewed yearly by representative members of the school community.
- 3. Students will follow all guidelines, rules and procedures while in attendance at school, during all school sponsored activities, and extracurricular events
- 4. Wherever possible and appropriate, consequences for breaches of a code are restorative in nature rather than punitive. This may involve formal Restorative Justice or other forms of restorative practice
- 5. Discipline decisions made by the school principal may be appealed to the Board.