



USE OF PHYSICAL FORCE BY STAFF

The practice of striking a child will not be permitted by any staff members at any time. The same applies to other forms of physical punishment - - hair pulling, pinching, kicking, shoving etc.

School officials, employees or agents are not prohibited by the corporal punishment law to use reasonable and necessary force when intervening in potentially violent or threatening situations involving students. Specifically reasonable and necessary force may be used for the following purposes:

- a. To quell a disturbance or prevent an act that threatens physical injury to any person
- b. To obtain possession of a weapon or other dangerous object within a student's control
- c. For the purpose of self-defense or the defense of others or for the protection of property in accordance with state statutes
- d. To remove a disruptive student from school premises, a motor vehicle or a school sponsored activity
- e. To prevent a student from inflicting harm on himself/herself
- f. To protect the safety of others

Incidental, minor or reasonable physical contact designed to maintain order and control may be used in the district.

Legal Reference: Wisconsin Statutes 1993 Wis. Act 334

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