

Douglas County School District BASE Program

Client Rights

Policies:

Policy JI/JIA STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES / DUE PROCESS RIGHTS Each student has the opportunity and the right to use school as a means for self improvement and individual growth. In so doing, he/she is expected to conduct him or herself in a manner compatible with the school's function as an educational facility, and in accordance with District policies and regulations concerning student conduct and discipline, including but not limited to the grounds for suspension, expulsion and classroom removal in policy JKD/JKE

It is the intent of the District to afford vigilant protection of the constitutional freedoms of all school personnel and students, and to guarantee those protections as provided in the Constitution, including the rights of free inquiry and expression, the right to freedom of association, and the right to administrative due process.

In exercising this right, each BASE Program manager and his/her staff working with the students, will attempt to achieve the objectives and follow the procedures set forth by District policies and administrative regulations pertaining to the various aspects of student rights, student conduct, and student discipline.

Policy JIC/JICDA STUDENT CONDUCT Public schools provide students with the opportunity for self improvement and individual growth. School authorities have the right to control student conduct. Students are expected to conduct themselves at all times in a manner which is compatible with the school's function as an education facility, and in accordance with District policies and regulations concerning student conduct and discipline, including but not limited to the grounds for suspension, expulsion, and classroom removal in policy JKD/JKE. Conduct which disrupts or threatens to disrupt the operation of a school, which interferes in any way with the rights and privileges of other students or citizens, which endangers the health or safety of any person, or which damages property, will not be tolerated and will result in disciplinary action. All employees of the District shall be expected to share responsibility for supervising the behavior of students and for seeing that students abide by the established rules of conduct.

CLIENT RIGHTS:

- All students have equitable access to a Douglas County public school and BASE program that promotes growth in their cognitive, physical, social and emotional needs and builds on their strengths
- Communication between and among students, parents, community, educators and staff is frequent, collaborative, and helpful.
- A purposeful focus on creating a caring, safe, fun, supportive, and positive learning and working environment for all students, district employees, parents, and community is manifest throughout the district.
- Behavior Expectations, are clearly articulated, supported, and taught.
- All district/base program funds and expenditures are handled equitably, efficiently, transparently, responsibly, and purposefully to maximize the benefit for all students.