

LOSS OR DESTRUCTION OF DISTRICT PROPERTY

The Board of Education believes that students and staff should respect property and take pride in the schools of the District. Any incidents of vandalism or theft of District property and the names of the person(s) believed to be responsible shall be reported to the Superintendent of Schools or designee.

The District is authorized to seek restitution, through civil action when necessary, from the parent or legal guardian in accordance with the General Obligations Law where the student has:

- a) willfully, maliciously, or unlawfully damaged, defaced, or destroyed real property or personal property in the care, custody, and/or ownership of the District;
- b) knowingly entered or remained in a District building, and then wrongfully taken, obtained, or withheld personal property owned or maintained by the District;
- c) falsely reported an incident; or
- d) placed a false bomb as defined in New York State Penal Law.

The Superintendent will also determine whether to offer a monetary reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of vandals or thieves of District property. All information pertaining to the investigation will be forwarded to the school attorney and the local police department.

Ref. Family Court §757; 758-a
General Obligations Law §3-112
Education Law §1604(35), (38); 1709(36), (38); 2509-g(15)
General Municipal Law §789
Penal Law §60.27

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