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Use of Physical Force

Corporation personnel may use reasonable physical force upon a student necessary to maintain a safe learning environment. They may also use reasonable physical force upon a student necessary to protect:

1. A staff member's personal safety
2. The safety of another staff member or visitor
3. The safety of the other students in the class
4. School property from damage or destruction
5. Themselves and others from danger arising from a dangerous weapon or object which is in the possession of or control of a student.

Time-Out and Seclusion

Time-out is a period of time a student spends in alternative situation/setting in an effort to modify the disruptive behaviors which hinder the educational process. It is employed to help gain self-control and/or to keep a student from harming himself/herself, other students or staff. The goal of this method is for students to gain self-control by modifying the inappropriate behavior so that they may return to the regular, least restrictive educational environment.

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