

Section 4000 – Business Management

4120-R Thefts and Vandalism

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Students found guilty of and/or responsible for, any form of theft or vandalism shall be disciplined in accordance with the Board's discipline policy, including possible suspension or expulsion from school.

In the case of malicious or wanton destruction of property, causing damage of \$2,500 or more, the student(s) may be suspended from regular classes and barred from District property and from all District activities up to 180 days. For other less serious acts of vandalism, the student(s) may be suspended for up to 10 days.

Recovery of damage and/or losses shall be sought from the person or persons involved. In the case of minors, restitution from their parent(s)/guardian(s) under the laws that hold parent(s)/guardian(s) liable up to \$2,500 for any loss or damage may be sought.¹

The Superintendent may sign a criminal complaint in the name of the District to bring charges against perpetrators of theft or vandalism.

If arrangements for restitution for damage or losses, as established by the Board and permitted by law, are to be made by the person or persons involved within a reasonable period of time, the Superintendent, with the approval of the Board, may direct the Board attorney to commence a legal action to recover all damages, costs and legal fees associated with the incident as may be allowable by law.

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¹ 600.2913 Minor maliciously or willfully destroying property or causing bodily harm or injury to person; recovery of damages from parents.

Sec. 2913. A municipal corporation, county, township, village, school district, department of the state, person, partnership, corporation, association, or an incorporated or unincorporated religious organization may recover damages in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00 in a civil action in a court of competent jurisdiction against the parents or parent of an unemancipated minor, living with his or her parents or parent, who has maliciously or willfully destroyed real, personal, or mixed property which belongs to the municipal corporation, county, township, village, school district, department of the state, person, partnership, corporation, association, or religious organization incorporated or unincorporated or who has maliciously or willfully caused bodily harm or injury to a person.