

Weakley County Board of Education



Monitoring:

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Care of School Property

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6.311

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- 2 Students shall help maintain the school environment, preserve school property and exercise care
- 3 while using school facilities.
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- 5 All district employees shall report all damage or loss of school property to the principal or
- 6 designee immediately after such damage or loss is discovered. The principal or designee shall
- 7 make a full and complete investigation of any instance of damage or loss of school property. The
- 8 investigation shall be carried out in cooperation with law enforcement officials when
- 9 appropriate.
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- 11 School property is defined as buildings, buses, books, equipment, records, instructional materials
- 12 or any other item under the jurisdiction of the Board.
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- 14 When the person causing damage or loss has been identified and the costs of repair or
- 15 replacement have been determined, the superintendent shall take steps to recover these costs.
- 16 This may include recommending the filing of a civil complaint in court to recover damages. If
- 17 the responsible person is a minor, recovery will be sought from the minor's parent or guardian.
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- 19 In addition, the district may withhold the grades, diploma, and/or transcript of the student
- 20 responsible for vandalism or theft or otherwise incurring any debt to a school until the student or
- 21 the student's parent/guardian has paid for the damages.¹ When the minor and parent are unable to
- 22 pay for the damages, the district shall provide a program of voluntary work for the minor. Upon
- 23 completion of the work, the student's grades, diploma, and/or transcripts shall be released. Such
- 24 sanctions shall not be imposed if the student is not at fault.

Legal Reference:

¹ TCA 37-10-101 through 103

Cross References:

1.501 Visitors to the School
3.205 Security
6.709 Student Fees and Fines