



Administrative Procedure 359

STUDENT VANDALISM

Background

When a student has been identified as having caused loss, damage or destruction of any school property, or when a student caused mischief or any other act resulting in financial cost to a school or the District, the student and/or parent will be held liable, and steps will be taken by school and/or District administration to recover costs of such loss, damage or destruction of any school property, or financial cost of mischief or any other act.

The District is insured by the [School Protection Program](#), an agency of the provincial government, and therefore must act consistently with the requirements of the insuring agency.

Procedures

1. Where a student damages property while behaving in a manner contravening the school's code of conduct, the following recovery of costs shall apply.
 - 1.1. Where the student immediately reports the damage, the cost recovered shall not exceed the cost of materials required to remedy the damage.
 - 1.2. Where the student has not reported the damage but upon investigation is determined to have done so, the amount recovered shall be the cost of labour and materials required to remedy the damage.
 - 1.3. Principals shall report any mitigating circumstances to the Superintendent that may potentially cause the recovery to be different from that outlined above. The Superintendent shall report this to the Board for information.
2. Pursuant to section 10 [School Act](#), parents may be held liable for the intentional and negligent act(s) of a student that causes damage to school or District property.
3. The District may initiate legal proceedings to recover damages.

Reference: Sections 6, 10, 20, 22, 23, 65, 85 School Act

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