CODE OF CONDUCT

REPORTING VIOLATIONS

All students are expected to promptly report violations of the code of conduct to a teacher, guidance counselor, Dignity Act Coordinators, the Building Principal or his or her designee. Dignity Act Coordinators are assigned in each building as follows: High School – Joseph Agosta, Alison Stritzl; Middle School – Andrew Lagnado, Francesca Walker; Deauville Gardens West – Kristina Biamonte, Jessica Lai; Deauville Gardens East – Joseph Buccello, Lysa Mullady; Susan E. Wiley – Cynthia Florio, Chelsea Trotta; Great Neck Road –Tamika Eason, Adrienne Mahoney. Any student observing a student possessing a weapon, alcohol or illegal substance on school property, at a school function, or on a school bus shall report this information immediately to a teacher, the Principal, the Principal's designee or the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee. All other stakeholders are encouraged to report any violations of the code of conduct to the appropriate authorities.

All district staff who are authorized to impose disciplinary sanctions are expected to do so in a prompt, fair and lawful manner. District staff who are not authorized to impose disciplinary sanctions are expected to promptly report violations of the code of conduct to their supervisor, who shall in turn impose an appropriate disciplinary sanction, if so authorized, or refer the matter to a staff member who is authorized to impose an appropriate sanction.

Any weapon, alcohol or illegal substance found shall be confiscated immediately, if possible, followed by notification to the parent of the student involved and the appropriate disciplinary sanction, which may include permanent suspension and referral for prosecution.

The Principal or his/her designee must notify the appropriate local law enforcement agency and the Superintendent of Schools of those code violations that constitute a crime and substantially affect the order or security of a school as soon as practical, but in no event later than the close of business the day the Principal or his/her designee learns of the violation. The notification may be made by telephone, followed by a letter mailed on same day as the telephone call is made. The notification must identify the student and explain the conduct that violated the code of conduct and constituted a crime.

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