

Level 3 Behavior (Illegal and/or serious misconduct - potentially life or health threatening)

A student committing behavior which is classified as Level 3 may be subject to suspension from the school and subject to a recommendation for expulsion from the Youngstown City School System. Students expelled from the Youngstown City Schools may be reinstated in accordance with Board of Education regulations.

These rules apply to students at all times while they are on school grounds, off school grounds at a school-related activity, function or event or on school buses.

Behavior	Definition	Disciplinary Action
Arson	Setting fire, or attempting to set fire, to a school building or property located on school grounds or any property belonging to, rented by or on loan to the school district or property (including automobiles) of persons employed by the school or in attendance at the school.	Recommendation for Expulsion
Assault/Intimidation Harassment/Bullying	Intentionally causing , attempting to cause or threatening to cause physical injury to a staff member, student and/or private citizen. Repeated, direct or indirect physical or psychological intimidation, creating a pattern of harassment and abuse. This includes electronic bullying.	Recommendation for Expulsion
Bomb threats/False alarms	Making a knowingly false statement regarding the possession or location of explosive or incendiary materials or activating the fire alarm system on school property or reporting a fire when no fire exists.	Recommendation for Expulsion
Possession or use of weapons or dangerous instruments	Possessing, handling, transmitting or using any kind of firearm, knife, razor, club, chain or other look-alike or replica object or item which can be considered a weapon or used as a weapon or dangerous instruments including laser pointers. This includes bringing such items into the school or to a school-sponsored activity for another person. It also includes having such items at one's desk or placing them in a locker or vehicle or hiding place on school property. NOTE: In accordance with state law and board policy, students found in possession of a firearm or knife under the conditions listed above shall be expelled for a period of one year.	Recommendation for Expulsion
*Sale, Use or Possession of Alcohol, Drugs, or other chemical control substances	Selling, using or possessing drugs, mood-altering chemicals or substances (including counterfeit or look-alike substances), distributing any narcotics, drugs, controlled substances of any kind or alcoholic beverages or other intoxicant on school property or at school functions. This includes bringing such items into the school for another person, to a school-sponsored activity or having such items at one's desk or placing them in a locker or hiding place on school property.	Recommendation for Expulsion
*Sexual Offenses	Committing any willful and/or deliberate act with the intention of gaining sexual favors or furthering acts lewd or lascivious in nature, including acts of indecent exposure. Sexual offenses also include consensual or non-consensual sexual contact or conduct and posting any inappropriate cell phone pictures, materials or other pictures on the internet.	Recommendation for Expulsion
Vandalism/Theft	Substantial destruction, defacing or theft of school or private property.	Recommendation for Expulsion
Inducing Panic/Verbal Threats of Violence	Disrupting school by use of violence, coercion or threat. This shall include use of same to incite others towards acts of disruption (individual or group related).	Recommendation for Expulsion
Endangering Safety of Students/Staff	Engaging in gang membership activity or any other conduct which imposes a threat to another person's life, health or seriously disrupts or interferes with the educational process.	Recommendation for Expulsion

Notes

* First offenders shall be referred to appropriate counseling and/or treatment programs. Such referrals may be repeated for subsequent violations