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Purpose

The Springfield School District (“District”) believes that the schools should help students learn to respect property and develop feelings of pride in community institutions.

Authority

The District charges each student in the schools of this District with responsibility for the proper care of school property and the school supplies and equipment entrusted to his/her use.

Students who willfully cause damage to school property shall be subject to disciplinary measures. Students and others who damage or deface school property may be prosecuted and punished under law. Parents and legal guardians of students shall be held accountable for student actions to the extent allowed by law. [\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)

The District may report to the appropriate juvenile authorities any student whose damage of school property has been serious or chronic in nature. [\[4\]](#)

Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent shall develop procedures to implement this policy which include: [\[5\]](#)[\[6\]](#)

1. Rules for the safekeeping and accounting of textbooks, supplies and equipment.
2. Preparation of a schedule of fines for loss or damage to District property.
3. A report to the Board of School Directors (“Board”) on any serious occurrence as judged by the administration on the incidence of vandalism; such report shall include, the cost of vandalism to the District, and such related facts and comments as the Superintendent may wish to make.

SUPERSEDES: Policy No. 3517.1, Destruction of School Property and Penalties for Defacing, Injuring or Destroying Said Property.

DISCLAIMERS:

This policy is superseded by all current federal and state laws and mandates.

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[1. 24 P.S. 777](#)

2. Pol. 218

3. Pol. 233

[4. 24 P.S. 1338](#)

[5. 24 P.S. 109](#)

[6. 24 P.S. 801](#)