## ASSAULTS AND THREATS

The Avery County Board of Education will not tolerate assaults or threats from any student. Any student engaging in such behavior will be removed from the classroom or school environment for as long as necessary to ensure a safe and orderly environment for learning.

## A. **PROHIBITED BEHAVIOR**

1. Assault

Students are prohibited from assaulting, physically injuring, attempting to injure or intentionally behaving in such a way as could reasonably cause injury to any other person. Assault includes engaging in a fight.

2. Threatening Acts

Students are prohibited from directing toward any other person any language that threatens force, violence or disruption, or any sign or act that constitutes a threat of force, violence or disruption.

Bomb and terrorist threats are also addressed in policy 4333, Weapons, Bomb Threats, Terrorist Threats and Clear Threats to Safety.

## **B. CONSEQUENCES**

The disciplinary consequences for violations of this policy shall be consistent with Section D of policy 4300, Student Behavior Policies. The superintendent or designee shall list in the Code of Student Conduct the specific range of consequences that may be imposed on a student for violations of this policy.

A student who is long-term suspended or reassigned to alternative education services as a result of assaulting or injuring a teacher shall not return to that teacher's classroom without the teacher's consent.

Legal Reference: G.S. 14 -33, 34 through -34.2; 115C-47, -276(r), -288, -307, 390.2, -390.5, -390.7

Cross Reference: Student Behavior Policies (policy 4300), Integrity and Civility (policy 4310), Bullying and Harassing Behavior Prohibited (policy 4329/7311), Weapons, Bomb Threats, Terrorist Threats and Clear Threats to Safety (policy 4333),

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