

*Rio Rancho Public Schools
Discipline Matrix for Middle Schools*

The following middle school code of conduct has been adopted to protect and foster respect for the rights of RRPS middle school students and staff. Infractions of this Code of Conduct are grouped into three levels based on the severity of the infraction, and each violation of the code may have from one to three levels of consequences.

These represent the recommended guidelines in the disposition of discipline situations for the middle school. Therefore, depending on the circumstances of the behavior or education status of the student, responses may vary from situation to situation.

In all cases, administrative discretion will be exercised.

Level I			
Behavior	1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd Offense
Bus Disruptions	Refer to Transportation Handbook		
Dress Code Violation	Parent Notification and Warning Options: Change into other clothing they may have Clothing provided by school Be sent home	Parent Notification and Warning Same as 1 st offense 1 Day ISS	Parent Notification 2 Days ISS Same as 1 st Offense 4 th Offense could result in OSS
General Disruptive Conduct (profanity, rudeness, dishonesty, etc.)	Teacher Interventions Parent Notification	Teacher Interventions Parent Notification Possible LD	1 Day ISS Teacher Interventions Parent Notification Possible LD
Gossip and Passing Rumors	Teacher Intervention Parent Notification	Teacher Notification Parent Notification	1 Day ISS Parent Notification
Public Display of Affection	Verbal Warning	Parent Notification Detention or 1 Day ISS	Detention or 1 Day ISS
Tardy	1 st -3 rd Offense Teacher Interventions Parent Notification	4 th Offense 1 Day ISS Teacher Interventions Parent Notification Possible ASD	5 th Offense 2 Days ISS Teacher Interventions Parent Notification Possible ASD
Level II			
Behavior	1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd Offense
Bullying/Threats/Harassment	1 Day ISS Parent Notification	3 Days ISS Parent Notification	3 Days OSS Parent Conference Behavior Contract
Aggressive or Hostile Behavior	2 Days ISS Parent Notification	3 Days ISS Parent Notification	1 Day OSS Parent Conference Behavior Contract
Cheating or Plagiarism	1 Day ISS Parent contact by teacher	2 Days ISS Parent contact by teacher	3 Days ISS Parent contact by teacher
Chronic Disruptive Conduct	1 Day ISS Parent Notification	2 Days ISS Parent Notification	3 Days ISS Behavior Contract Parent Notification
Disrupting a School Activity	Removal from Event Parent Notification	Removal from Event 1 Day ISS Parent Notification	Removal from Event Loss of Privileges for the Remainder of the Year 2 Day ISS Parent Notification
Ditching (out of class without permission)	1 Day ISS Teacher Interventions Parent Notification Possible ASD	2 Days ISS Teacher Interventions Parent Notification Possible ASD	3 Days ISS Parent Notification Teacher Interventions Behavior Contract
Electronic Devices	Confiscate and student may pick-up at the end of the day	Parent Notification Confiscate and parent must pick-up in the office Agreement Contract	Parent Notification Check in and check out phone in the front office Behavior Contract
Truancy	Referral to Truancy Officer		
Failure to Comply with Disciplinary Consequences (including skipped detention)	Twice the Previous Consequences	Administrative Referral	Administrative Referral
Falsifying or Misuse of any Official Document or Communication (including passes, ID, progress report, call to excuse absence, parent signature, etc.)	Teacher Interventions and/or 1 Day ISS	2 Days ISS Parent Notification	1 Day OSS Parent Notification Behavior Contract

Rough Housing	1 Day ISS Parent Notification	2 Days ISS Parent Notification	3 Days ISS Parent Notification Behavior Contract
Fighting (Instigating)	2 Days ISS Parent Notification	4 Days ISS Parent Notification	See Level III Assault/Bullying
Inappropriate Touch	1 Day ISS Parent Notification	2 Days ISS Parent Notification	3 Days ISS Parent Notification Behavior Contract
Inappropriate Use/ Possession of Technology – unauthorized access to District software, telephones, accounts/files, unauthorized access or use of video recording via electronic device, posting of inappropriate material on websites including video taping of activities violating school policy such as fights, bullying, hazing.)	2 Days ISS Parent Notification	3 Days ISS, Loss of computer privileges for remainder of the school year and restitution Parent Notification	Level III Harassment/Bullying
Insubordination, Defiance of Authority or Showing Disrespect; Failure to Report	1 Day ISS Parent Notification	2 Days ISS Parent Notification	1 Day OSS Parent Notification Behavior Contract
Possession of Inappropriate Material	1 Day ISS Parent Notification	2 Days ISS Parent Notification	1 Day OSS Parent Notification
Possession/Use of Tobacco (including e-cigarettes, Rolling Papers, or Incendiary Devices at School or School Sponsored Event (all tobacco products and all e-cigarettes will be confiscated and disposed of)	*3 Days ISS Parent Notification	*1-2 Days OSS Parent Notification	*3 Days OSS Parent Notification Behavior Contract

Level III- RRPD referral may be filed on all Level III Infractions

Behavior	1 st Offense	2 nd Offense	3 rd Offense
Arson	10 Days OSS Pending Hearing		
Assault or Battery (Physical) of a Staff Member	10 Days OSS Pending Hearing		
Assault (Verbal) of a Staff Member (including intimidating or threatening remarks and/or directed profanity)	3 Days OSS Behavior Contract	5 Days OSS	10 Days OSS Possible Hearing
False Alarm	1-3 Days OSS	10 Days OSS Pending Hearing	
Bomb Threats//Explosives/Shooting Threats	10 days OSS Pending Hearing		
Assault or Battery (physical) of a student or students by one or more students	3 Days OSS Mediation	5 Days OSS Mediation Behavior Contract	10 Days OSS Possible Hearing
Disrupting a school activity (field trip, PAC event, game, etc.) (Amended 10/1/19)	1 day OSS, removal from event, and suspension from like events for the remainder of the term	5 days OSS	10 days OSS pending hearing
Fighting (pushing and physical contact)	3 Days OSS	5 Days OSS	10 Days OSS Pending Hearing
Gang Related Activity	2 Days OSS, Behavior Contract	5 Days OSS Pending Hearing	10 Days OSS Pending Hearing
Habitually Disruptive Conduct	3 Days OSS	5 Days OSS	10 Days OSS Pending Hearing
Harassment or Bullying (Physical, racial, verbal, disability, electronic, intimidation toward another student-bullying)	3 Days OSS	5 Days OSS	10 Days OSS Pending Hearing
Inappropriate Use of Technology (tampering/damage to computers/network, bullying, harassment, hazing) (Amended 10/1/19)	5-10 Days OSS, Loss of Computer Privileges for the Remainder of the Year and Restitution, Behavior Contract, Possible Hearing		
Interfering and obstructing a school official which leads to severe disruption of the educational environment (refusal to reveal one's identity, insubordination, defying school officials lawful directives, obstructing of an investigation, severe school disruption) (Amended 10/1/19)	5-10 days OSS, possible hearing		
Making a False 911 Call	5-10 Days OSS, Possible Hearing		
Personal Substance Abuse (consuming, solicitation, in possession, or under the influence of; alcohol, drugs, look-a-likes or other controlled substances, e-cigarettes and/or paraphernalia including OTC drugs and prescription drugs)	5 Days OSS and Behavior Contract	10 Days OSS Pending Hearing	
Selling or Distributing Alcohol, Drugs, Look-a-likes, or Other Controlled Substances Including OTC Drugs or Prescription Drugs	5-10 Days OSS Pending Hearing		
Sexual Harassment/Misconduct	3 Days OSS Pending Investigation, Behavior Contract	5 Days OSS Pending Investigation and Continued Behavior Contract	10 Days OSS Pending Hearing
Theft/Extortion	3-5 Days OSS, Behavior Contract, Possible Restitution	10 Days OSS Pending Hearing, Possible Restitution	
Using Incendiary Devices	5 Days OSS, Counseling and Possible Restitution	10 Days OSS Pending Hearing and Possible Restitution	
Vandalism (involved in altering, defacing or	5 Days OSS, Loss of Privileges, and	10 Days OSS Pending Hearing,	

destroying school or private property, including technology)	Possible Restitution	Possible Restitution , Loss of Privileges	
Possession of Weapons	5 -10 Days OSS Pending Hearing		

Any school detention takes precedence over activities and athletics. The student may only report to an event or practice after detention is over. While in Out-of-School suspension, the student may not attend any school events on or off campus.