## MIDDLE BUCKS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

SECTION: PUPILSTITLE: STUDENT DISCIPLINEADOPTED: July 1, 1991REVISED: September 10, 2012

	218. STUDENT DISCIPLINE
1. Purpose	The Executive Council acknowledges that conduct is closely related to learning; an effective instructional program requires a safe and meaningful learning environment and the efficacy of the educational program is, in part, reflected in the behavior of students and employees.
2. Authority SC 1850.1 Title 22 Sec. 12.3, 12.4 Pol. 103	<ul> <li>The Executive Council shall require each student of the School to adhere to the rules and regulations promulgated by the administration and to submit to such disciplinary measures as are appropriately assigned for infraction of those rules. The rules govern student conduct in school and during the time spent in travel to and from school and at school-sponsored events. Such rules shall require that students:</li> <li>1. Conform to reasonable standards of socially acceptable behavior.</li> <li>2. Respect the rights, person and property of others.</li> </ul>
	3. Preserve the degree of order necessary to the educational program in which they are engaged.
SC 1317	4. Abide by constituted authority and respond to those who hold that authority.
	Corporal Punishment
Title 22 Sec. 12.5	While school personnel are not authorized to use physical punishment, physical restraint may be necessary in the following emergency situations:
	1. Self-defense.
	2. Quelling a disturbance.
	3. Obtaining possession of weapons or other dangerous objects.
	4. Protection of persons or property.

		Physical action in such situations is not considered to be corporal punishment but a means of controlling dangerous circumstances.
		Dangerous Weapons In The School
	SC 1303-A Pol. 218.1	No student shall go onto the School premises with a firearm, explosive weapon, knife, any other dangerous or illegal instrument, or any instrument represented as such. No students shall interfere with normal activities, occupancy, or use of any building or portion of the school campus by exhibiting, using, or threatening to exhibit or use a firearm, explosive weapon, knife, other dangerous or illegal instrument, or any instrument represented as such. Any student violating this policy may be suspended or expelled.
	Title 22 Sec. 12.3 Pol. 235	The Director or a designee shall publish and provide to all staff, students, and parents/guardians the rules of this School regarding the Code of Student Conduct and the sanctions which may be imposed for breach of those rules. The Code of Conduct shall be adopted by the Executive Council. A copy of such shall be made available in the main office.
3.	Delegation of Responsibility	The Director or designee shall promulgate rules and regulations for student conduct which:
	Title 22 Sec. 12.3	1. Carry out the purposes of this policy.
		2. Are not arbitrary but bear a reasonable relationship to the need to maintain a school environment conducive to learning.
		3. Do not discriminate among students.
		4. Do not demean students.
		5. Do not violate any individual rights constitutionally guaranteed to students.
	SC 1317, 1318	The Director or a designee shall have the authority to assign discipline to students, subject to the rules and regulations and to the student's due process right to notice, hearing and appeal.
	SC 1317	Teaching staff members and other employees of the Executive Council having authority over students shall have the authority to take such reasonable actions as may be necessary to control the disorderly conduct of students in all situations and in all places where such students are within the jurisdiction of the Executive Council, and when such conduct interferes with the educational program of the School or threatens the health and safety of others.

References:
School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 510, 1302.1-A, 1303-A, 1317, 1318
State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 12.1 et seq., 403.1
No Child Left Behind Act – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7114
Executive Council Policy – 103, 122, 218.1, 222, 227, 233, 235, 805