DODGELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Policy Manual

447.1

CORPORAL PUNISHMENT/USE OF PHYSICAL FORCE

The use of corporal punishment shall not be used in the Dodgeland School District. Corporal punishment is defined as the intentional infliction of physical pain and/or discomfort upon a student for the purpose of punishment or as a disciplinary action.

School officials, employees or agents are not prohibited, however, from using incidental, minor or reasonable physical contact designed to maintain order and control, or from using reasonable and necessary force for the following purposes:

- to quell a disturbance or prevent an act that threatens physical injury to any person;
- to obtain possession of a weapon or other dangerous object within a student's control;
- for the purpose of self-defense or the defense of others;
- for the protection of property;
- to remove a disruptive student from school premises, a motor vehicle or school-sponsored activities;
- to prevent a student from inflicting harm on himself/herself; and
- to protect the safety of others.

School personnel who have used physical force with students shall report such use to the building principal in accordance with district procedures.

Building principals shall be responsible for informing students, parents/guardians and school personnel of this policy annually.

LEGAL REF.:	Sections	115.787(3)(b)1	Wisconsin Statutes
		118.164	
		118.31	
		939.48	

CROSS REF.: 443, Student Conduct
443.4, Student Alcohol and Other Drug Use
447.3, Student Suspensions/Expulsions
536.3, Discipline, Discharge and Nonrenewal (Professional Staff)
546.2, Discipline and Discharge (Support Staff)
720, School Safety Program
832, Weapons on School Premises
Employee Handbooks

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