

RIVER VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT **CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT**

This code of conduct is in effect while students are under the authority of school personnel or involved in any school activity. This includes but is not limited to the school buses and property under the control of school authorities, and while at interscholastic competitions, extracurricular events, or other school activities or programs.

In addition, this code of conduct includes:

1. Misconduct by a student that occurs off school district property but is connected to activities or incidents that have occurred on school district property; and
2. Misconduct by a student that, regardless of where it occurs including social media postings, is directed at a district official or employee or the property of an official or employee.

It is the intent of the River View Board of Education to provide an effective learning environment in the River View Schools. A major factor in establishing this learning environment is an atmosphere of good order and discipline.

Students are expected to conduct themselves in such a way that they respect and consider the rights of others. Students of the district must conform with school regulations and accept direction from authorized school personnel. The board has "zero tolerance" for violent, disruptive or inappropriate behavior by its students. This includes incidents of bullying, harassment, and intimidation.

PART I

Violation of the code of conduct may result in verbal or written warning or reprimand, referral to the guidance counselor, parental contact or conference, lunch detention, in-school placement, after school detention, community service, emergency removal, alternative placement, referral to law enforcement agencies, suspension and/or expulsion.

- A. **ACADEMIC DISHONESTY:**
Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Students will redo any assessment that involves academic dishonesty. (See "Grading Policy" section for more specific details.)
- B. **ASSAULT/MENACING:**
A student shall not cause physical injury or behave in such a way that could threaten to cause physical injury to school staff, other students, or visitors, while under the jurisdiction of the school. This includes verbal or written threats to another person's personal property or relatives.
- C. **BULLYING, HARASSMENT, AND INTIMIDATION:**
The School believes that every individual deserves to be able to come to school without fear of demeaning remarks or actions, especially of a targeted and ongoing nature. The harassment of other students or members of the staff, or any other individuals, is not permitted. This includes any speech or action that creates a hostile, intimidating, or offensive learning environment such as verbal and/or written threats. Examples of various types of harassment covered by this code are: verbal abuse, physical abuse, vandalism, destruction of property, or any other disruptive behavior.
- D. **CONTINUED CLASS OR ACTIVITY DISRUPTION:**
No student shall repeatedly be involved in actions which disrupt the educational progress in a classroom, activity, or other organized functions of the school.
- E. **DANGEROUS WEAPONS AND INSTRUMENTS:**
A student shall not possess, handle, transmit, or conceal any object that might be considered a dangerous weapon or instrument of violence.
- F. **DISRESPECT:-**
No student willfully intimidates, insults, or in any other manner abuses verbally or in writing any member of the school staff or student body.
- G. **DISRUPTION OF SCHOOL:**
A student shall not by use of violence, force, coercion, threat, harassment, insubordination, or repeated incorrigibility, cause disruption or obstruction to the educational process, including all curricular and extracurricular activities.
- H. **DISTRIBUTION OF UNAUTHORIZED PRINTED MATERIALS:**
Distribution of printed materials by students must conform to the Board of Education Guidelines established in Board policy.
- I. **FALSE ALARMS:**
No student shall initiate a fire alarm or report warning of a fire, impending bomb, or other catastrophe without cause.

- J. FORGERY:
No student shall falsify the name of another person, falsify times, dates, grades, addresses, or other information on school forms or correspondence directed to the school.
- K. FRIGHTENING, DEGRADING, or DISGRACEFUL ACTS:
A student shall not engage in or take part in any act which frightens, degrades, disgraces another person by written, verbal, physical, or gestural means
- L. GAMBLING:
No student shall engage in the act of gambling for money or valuables on school grounds or at school sponsored activities.
- M. INSUBORDINATION:
A student shall not disregard or refuse to obey reasonable directions or requests by authorized school personnel.
- N. LOITERING:
No student shall willfully remain on school premises at unauthorized times in such a manner as to cause disruption to an activity or function or pose a threat to the safety and well-being of a student or disrupt the educational process.
- O. PROFANITY AND/OR OBSCENITY:
A student shall not use profanity or obscene language, either written or verbally, toward a staff member, another student or sporadically. This includes all use of profanity, even if not directed towards anyone. Included in this is the use of obscene gestures, signs, pictures, or publications. In order to maintain a proper student/teacher relationship, the student shall not use profanity towards a staff member after school hours.
- P. SHAKEDOWN AND STRONG ARM:
No student shall extort, borrow, or attempt to borrow anything of value from a person on school property, while on school property, in a school vehicle, or at a school sponsored activity, unless both parties enter into the agreement freely without the presence of either an implied or expressed threat.
- Q. THEFT:
A student shall not cause or attempt to take into possession the public property or equipment of the school district or the personal property of any other person, on school property or at any school sponsored activity.
- R. TOBACCO, NARCOTICS, ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, DRUGS AND SUBSTANCES OF ABUSE:
A student shall not possess, use, transmit, conceal, or have shown evidence of consumption of any alcoholic beverage, dangerous drug, narcotic or mind-altering substance. This includes look-alikes or substitutes. No student shall be permitted to smoke or use tobacco for any reason on school premises, on school buses, or while under jurisdiction of the school. This also includes evening activities and field trips as well as during school hours. E-Cigarettes/Vaporizers: E-Cigarettes and Vapes (JUULs and other brand name devices) will be considered as a Tobacco and/or Drug product and will be treated as such under the River View High School Student Handbook/Code of Conduct. All products containing any amount of THC including Delta-8, regardless of legal status, are prohibited. The Sheriff's department may be contacted to issue citations in the event of repeat-violations.
- S. TRUANCY:
Students truant from school all or part of a day are subject to disciplinary action other than out-of-school suspension. This includes unexcused absence from study hall, class, or any other properly assigned activity.
- T. UNAUTHORIZED BODILY CONTACT:
The act of physically touching or hitting, or making physical threats to a student or employee of the school system or any other person while on school property or while attending a school event.
- U. UNAUTHORIZED USE OF FIRE:
No student shall willfully set fire or attempt to set fire to any property of the Board of Education of the River View School District.
- V. VANDALISM AND/OR DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY:
Damage that is deliberate, due to carelessness, or by accident must be paid for by the individual found responsible. Such damage responsibility shall be enforced either on school or private property, on school grounds, or during school activities, functions, or events off school grounds.
- W. CELL PHONES:
Students shall not be permitted to use cell phones/electronic devices at any time during school hours. Please reference page 4 for the full school policy on cell phones/electronic devices.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING BULLYING, HARASSMENT, AND INTIMIDATION

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

- A. Verbal:
1. The making of written or verbal sexual innuendos, suggestive comments, jokes of a sexual nature, sexual propositions, or threats to a fellow student, staff member, or other person associated with the District.
- B. Nonverbal:
1. Causing the placement of sexually suggestive objects, pictures, or graphic commentaries in the school environment or the making of sexually suggestive or insulting gestures, sounds, leering, whistling, and the like to a fellow student, staff members, or other person associated with the District.

C. Physical Contact:

1. Threatening or causing unwanted touching, contact, or attempts at same, including patting, pinching, pushing the body, or coerced sexual intercourse, with a fellow student, staff member, or other person associated with the District.

D. Dating Violence:

1. "Dating violence" is defined as "a pattern of behavior where a person uses or threatens physical, sexual, verbal, or emotional abuse to control the person's dating partner." A "dating partner" is "any person, regardless of gender, involved in an intimate relationship with another person primarily characterized by the expectation of affectionate involvement whether casual, serious, or long-term."

GENDER/ETHNIC/RELIGIOUS/RACIAL/DISABILITY HARASSMENT

A. Verbal:

1. Written or oral innuendoes, comments, jokes, insults, threats, or disparaging remarks concerning a person's gender, national origin, religious beliefs, etc., toward a fellow student, staff member, or other person associated with the District.
2. Conducting a "campaign of silence" toward a fellow student, staff member, or person associated with the District by refusing to have any form of social interaction with the person.

B. Nonverbal:

1. Placing objects, pictures, or graphic commentaries in the school environment or making insulting or threatening gestures toward a fellow member or other person associated with the District.

C. Physical:

1. Any intimidating or disparaging action such as hitting, hissing, or spitting on a fellow student, staff member, or other person associated with the District.
2. Any student who believes that she/he is the victim of any of the above actions or has observed such actions taken by another student, staff member, or other person associated with the District should make contact with an administrator, teacher, or guidance counselor.

The student may make contact either by a written report or by telephone or personal visit. During this contact, the reporting student should provide the name of the person(s) whom she/he believes to be responsible for the harassment and the nature of the harassing incident(s). A written summary of each such report will be prepared promptly and a copy forwarded to the principal. Each report shall be investigated in a timely and confidential manner. While a charge is under investigation, no information will be released to anyone who is not involved with the investigation, except as may be required by law or in the context of a legal or administrative proceeding. No one involved is to discuss the subject outside of the investigation.

If the investigation reveals that the complaint is valid, the appropriate remedial and/or disciplinary action will be taken promptly to prevent the continuance of the harassment or its recurrence. Given the nature of harassing behavior, the school recognizes that false accusations can have serious effects on innocent individuals.

Therefore, all students are expected to act responsibly, honestly, and with the utmost candor whenever they present harassment allegations or charges.

Some forms of sexual harassment of a student by another student may be considered a form of child abuse that will require that the student-abuser be reported to proper authorities.

Under no circumstances will the School threaten or retaliate against anyone who raises or files a harassment complaint.

HAZING AND BULLYING

A. Hazing:

1. It means doing any act or coercing another, including the victim, to do any act of intimidation or harassment to any student or other organization that causes or creates a substantial risk of causing mental or physical harm to any person.

B. Bullying:

1. Is an intentional written, verbal or physical act that a student has exhibited toward another particular student more than once, and the behavior causes either mental or physical harm to the other student and is sufficiently severe, persistent or pervasive that it creates an intimidating, threatening or abusive educational environment for the other student. Permission, consent or assumption of risk by an individual subjected to hazing and/or bullying does not lessen the prohibition contained in this policy.

C. Cyber Bullying:

1. Prohibited activities of any type including those activities engaged in via computer and/or any electronic devices are inconsistent with the educational process and are prohibited at all times. No administrator, teacher or other employee of the District shall encourage, permit, condone, or tolerate any hazing and/or bullying activities. No student, including leaders of student organizations may plan, encourage or engage in any hazing and/or bullying. Administrators, teachers and all other District employees are particularly alert to possible conditions, circumstances or events that might include hazing and/or bullying. If hazing and/or bullying or planned hazing and/or bullying is discovered, involved students are informed by the discovering District employee of the prohibition contained in this policy and are required to end all hazing and/or bullying immediately. All hazing and/or bullying incidents are reported to the Superintendent and the appropriate discipline is administered.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

The River View Local School District recognizes and values the use of technology and encourages students to use their chromebooks during the school day in a responsible and respectful manner. To support a school environment in which students can fully engage with their classmates, their teachers, and instruction, the Board of Education of River View High School has determined the use of cell phones by students during school hours will be limited.

The objective of this policy is to strengthen the River View Local School District's focus on learning, in alignment with our mission to love, serve, and care for our students in a safe, positive environment empowering them to excellence.

1. **Research:**

- a. Research shows that student use of cellphones in schools has negative effects on student performance and mental health. Cell phones distract students from classroom instruction, resulting in smaller learning gains and lower test scores. Increased cell phone use has led to higher levels of depression, anxiety, and other mental health disorders in children.

2. **Applicability:**

- a. This policy applies to the use of cell phones/electronic devices by students while on school property during school hours.

3. **Use Of Cell Phones:**

- a. Students are prohibited from using cell phones/electronic devices at all times during school hours. Parents can call 740-824-3522 if they need to relay a message to their student. In addition, students may use the main office phone with permission, should they need to contact a parent. Parents can also use email to communicate with their student.

4. **Exception:**

- a. Nothing in this policy prohibits a student from using a cell phone/electronic devices for a purpose documented in the student's individualized education program developed under Chapter 3323 of the Ohio Revised Code or a plan developed under section 504 of the "Rehabilitation Act of 1973," 29 U.S.C. 794.
- b. A student may use a cell phone/electronic device to monitor or address a health concern.

5. **Cell Phone Storage:**

- a. Students shall keep their cell phones/electronic devices in a secure place, such as the student's locker at all times.

6. **Discipline:**

- a. If a student violates this policy, a teacher or administrator shall confiscate the device using the following progressively serious disciplinary measures
 - i. Cell phones/electronic device is confiscated and student can pick up the device after the final bell rings to end the school day. Student will serve a lunch period in the In-School Placement classroom
 - ii. Cell phones/electronic device is confiscated and a parent/guardian must pick up the device. Student will serve a 2 hour After School Detention.
 - iii. Cell phones/electronic device is confiscated and a parent/guardian must pick up the device. Student will serve a 1 Day In-School Placement.
 - iv. Cell phones/electronic device is confiscated and a parent/guardian must pick up the device. Student will serve 3 Days In-School Placement and will turn their cellphone into the main office everyday for the remainder of the school year.
 - v. Any further violations of our Cell phones/electronic device policy will result in the student being placed at the Alternative School for a minimum of 5 school days.

Inappropriate use of cellphones/electronic devices:

1. Failure to comply with a staff member's requests regarding the use of a cell phone or other electronic device may be regarded as insubordination.
2. No student is permitted to take pictures, video, or any voice recordings of any other student or staff member without that person's consent. Taking such a picture, video, or recording is a major offense of the Code of Conduct for Insubordination and may result in further discipline. Any device used to take a picture, video, or recording may be confiscated by school administration and/or be turned over to the proper authorities.
3. Students who feel unwell should report to the clinic for assistance. Students who bypass the clinic and call/text someone outside of school to come get them may be issued a cell phone violation.
4. Inappropriate use of technology, including social media use, texting, recording, and so forth may result in disciplinary consequences. Making phone calls is not permitted unless permission is obtained from an administrator. As a general rule, cell phones are to be off and put away and ear buds removed during class times.
5. At no time will a camera or recording device be used in any restrooms, shower areas, the gym locker rooms, the varsity locker rooms or any dressing/changing areas located in the River View Local School District or in these same designated areas at any school related function and/or event.

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION CONDUCT

The school district provides transportation in compliance with state law. Parents are responsible for supervision of students until such time as the student boards the bus in the morning and immediately after the students exit the bus at the end of the school day. Students on a bus are under the authority of, and directly responsible to, the bus driver. The driver has the authority to enforce the established regulations for bus conduct. Disorderly conduct or refusal to submit to the authority of the driver will be sufficient reason for administration to refuse transportation service to any student.

Bus Rules and Regulations

1. Students are to comply with the directions of the bus driver at all times.
2. Students are to arrive at their proper bus stop five minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive. Students must wait in a safe location clear of traffic.
3. Students are to remain seated while on the bus, keeping the aisles clear, and displaying acceptable behavior. Drivers may assign a student to a seat.
4. Body parts must always be inside the bus windows and objects will not be thrown inside, or from the bus.
5. Students may carry on the bus only objects that can be held in their laps.
6. Students shall keep the bus clean by discarding used items in the proper receptacles.
7. Fighting, pushing, or using physical/verbal threats will not be tolerated.
8. Always be courteous in conversation, talking but not yelling or making loud noises. Profane or obscene language is forbidden.
9. Students are not permitted to eat, drink, possess tobacco products (including vapes, JUULs, e-cigs, etc), or possess alcohol and other drugs (prescription or non-prescription) unless the student is transporting them to or from the clinic.
10. Animals, firearms, ammunition, weapons, explosives, flammables or any dangerous materials or objects are strictly prohibited.
11. Vandalizing, touching or tampering with the bus or bus equipment is a violation of state law and may result in prosecution.
12. Railroad crossings require complete silence from students before the driver may proceed across tracks.
13. Students must board and exit the bus at assigned locations. Any deviation must have parental and administrative authorization. These signed notes must be in advance and must be in writing only.
14. At pick-up and departure, a hand signal from the bus driver is necessary before crossing in front of the bus.
15. High school students must board the school buses at the end of the day at the high school.
16. No student will be permitted to board a bus at the end of the school day after having been to the parking lot.
17. Students involved in after school activities at the junior high school are to stay at the high school until all buses have exited the junior high area.
18. Bus rules and regulations, as well as the Student Handbook and Code of conduct will apply at bus stops as well.

PART II

The River View Board of Education recognizes there are minor behavior infractions which can lead to undesirable conduct if repeated continually and can lead to disruption of the educational process.

Examples of such minor infractions, while not all inclusive, are the following:

1. Tardiness
2. In any area of the building while classes are in session without a permission slip authorized by the teacher or school official.
3. Unauthorized talking or disturbance in class, study hall, or special program.
4. Refusal to carry out a reasonable request of a staff member.
5. Minor disrespect.
6. Being unprepared for class.
7. Misconduct in assemblies, halls, cafeteria, restrooms, etc.
8. Car and parking lot violations.
9. Inappropriate dress/appearance.
10. Inappropriate student to student relationship.
11. Sleeping in class.

The above infractions are subject to disciplinary measures including lunch detention, after school detention, in-school placement, alternative placement, out of school suspension, emergency removal, and/or expulsion.

PART III

Search and Seizure

It shall be made clear to students that lockers are the property of the school. Therefore, a general search of lockers and its contents are subject to random search at any time without regard to whether there is reasonable suspicion that any locker or its contents contain evidence of a violation of criminal statute or a school rule.

Students shall not use lockers or property in such a way to interfere with school discipline or the normal operation of the school. Locks are to prevent theft, not to prevent searches. The School reserves the right not to return items, which have been confiscated.

If a school official believes that an individual has on his person or property including motor vehicles on school premises, a weapon or substance dangerous to persons or property, then the official has the right to search and seize. If there is suspicion that the person is concealing evidence of a crime, ordinarily the case shall be turned over to police authorities.

Motor Vehicles driven by students to school and parked on school property are subject to random search by dogs, which are trained to detect the presence of drugs. These searches may be conducted without regard to whether there is reasonable suspicion that any motor vehicle or its contents contain evidence or a violation of a criminal statute or school rule.

Interrogation:

Interrogation of students by school officials is authorized concerning misconduct or crimes which may have occurred relating to the school day or school functions or activities. Such interrogations may be conducted for the purpose of maintaining an orderly school operation, protecting health and safety of students and staff, or determining the presence of dangerous weapons or other prohibited material. In Criminal Investigation, police should secure permission from school officials before interrogation during school hours. Parents shall be notified, if possible, prior to the interrogation. In all cases a school official will be in attendance.

Written, Verbal, and Symbolic Expression:

Students who edit, publish, or distribute written material at school must assume responsibility for said material and may be subject to discipline for breach of reasonable standards of journalism, such as libel, obscenity, or intentional distortion of facts. Authorship shall be disclosed and opinion shall be identified as such. Activities of expression that are materially and substantially disruptive of the educational processes of the school and discipline of the school shall be punishable by any of the authorized disciplinary measures approved by the Board of Education.

PART IV

APPLICATION OF THE CODE - BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY CONCERNING SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION IS POSTED IN OFFICE AND EACH CLASSROOM. COPIES ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

Jurisdiction:

This code and its provisions shall be applicable both during regularly scheduled school hours as well as at other times and places, including but not limited to school sponsored events, field trips, athletic and music functions and similar activities, where appropriate public school administrators have jurisdiction over students.

School Activity Related to Disciplinary Action:

Students who have been suspended or expelled from school shall not be eligible to participate in or attend any school functions for the duration of the suspension or expulsion. This applies to any assignment to the Alternative School.

An expelled student will not receive any credit or participate in any school function during the expulsion.

Denial of Participation in Prom and or Homecoming

Any student who is suspended from school for a drug, alcohol, or tobacco (including THC vaping) offense on school property will not be permitted to attend homecoming or prom .

Any student who is suspended from school for a drug (including THC vaping), or alcohol violation will automatically lose their privilege to attend homecoming and or prom that school year. Any student who commits a tobacco offense on school property may complete a vape education class along with 12 hours of community service, and may earn the right to have their prom privileges reinstated. Students are financially responsible for paying for the VapeEducate class and turning their completion certificate into administration. This opportunity is only available to students once during their high school career.

After School Detention:

After School Detention is an alternative disciplinary measure for students who have violated rules that are harmful to their own educational process. Students who receive After School Detention as punishment will be required to attend school starting at 2:20. After School Detention serves as an effective form of discipline while at the same time enables students who have violated school policy to stay in the classroom and not miss classroom work.

Students placed in After School Detention will be subject to the same rules, regulations, and consequences that govern a regular school day. If a student violates these rules or fails to attend an assigned After School Detention, he or she will be subject to further disciplinary action. Failure to attend a scheduled After School Detention without a Physician's note may result in a one-day suspension on the first offense. A two-day suspension may be issued on the 2nd violation and a three-day suspension may be issued on the 3rd violation.

After School Detention is an alternative to suspension and attendance is therefore an opportunity for the students to continue their education. Any student who misbehaves may receive a three-day external suspension.

In-School Placement:

Students may be *placed* in an in-school setting other than their regularly scheduled classroom to address behavioral misconduct. This may last a few minutes up to the entire school day.

Out-of-School Suspension:

The following general guidelines will be followed. However, adjustments may be made by the Associate Principal or Principal, depending upon the situation.

1. 1st Suspension - 1 - 10 days
2. 2nd Suspension - 1 - 10 days
3. 3rd Suspension - 1 - 10 days and or placement at the alternative school
4. 4th Suspension - 10 days and/or placement at the alternative school for the remainder of the school year.

In addition, students holding elected or appointed positions (activity or club officers, student council members, cheerleaders, etc.) may be removed from office or lose the position on the first offense for the remainder of the school year. The second offense may disqualify the student for office or position for the remainder of the student's school career in River View Schools. Also, any student interested in any sport should check the athletic policy guidelines for eligibility and allowable conduct.

During an out-of-school suspension students will have the opportunity to make up 100% of their missing work for up to 100% credit. However, it is the student's responsibility to make necessary arrangements for getting that work and for communicating with teachers.

Expulsion:

Conduct violations such as false alarms; arson; possession or use of a weapon; extreme violence; having, using, or providing another student with alcoholic beverages or dangerous drugs, narcotics or mind-altering substance or substances indicated to be such are considered major enough violation of school policy that a recommendation for expulsion may result on the first offense.

Expulsion may result in the loss of credit for courses being taken at River View High School, the Coshocton County Career Center, or at any college or university, whether under the Secondary Post Enrollment Option or at the student's own expense.

A student may be suspended by the Principal/Associate Principal up to ten (10) days by law. Recommendation for expulsion would be appropriate for longer disciplinary action.

Alternative School:

Students attending the alternative school are NOT permitted to attend River View High School Events/Activities unless permission is granted by the building Principal. Any student who is placed at the alternative school and arrangements can't be made to attend, that student will be suspended out of school and those days will be considered unexcused absences.

Coshocton County Career Center:

The Coshocton County Career Center is an extension of our school program; therefore, students who elect to attend the career center are subject to disciplinary action based upon the Student Code of Conduct of either the River View High School and/or the Coshocton County Career Center. Consequently, conduct and/or involvement in any activity that may or does result in disciplinary action by one school may be grounds for similar disciplinary action by the other school. Students who are suspended or expelled may not be present on school property, participate or attend any school activities or contests, or be present at activities or on property controlled by the school.

Chemical/Substance Abuse

The Board of Education acknowledges that student use of alcohol/drugs may result in the illness termed chemical dependency. The Board desires to aid in preventing the development of such dependency and avoid the accompanying disruption of a student's educational program. Thus, to promote an alcohol and drug free school, the Board supports the adoption and enforcement of regulations which prohibit student contact with alcoholic beverages, intoxicants, and drugs of abuse prior to (same calendar day) and during times the student is subject to the authority of school officials.

All products containing any amount of THC including Delta-8, regardless of legal status, is prohibited. If a student violates the school regulation regarding drugs and alcohol or if it appears that chemical dependency exists, the Board of Education recognizes that it must share these concerns with the family and student involved.

The Board's intention is to create an atmosphere of openness and understanding. It is then the parent's and the student's responsibility to seek qualified counsel and inform the school of what corrective action is being taken. It is the school's responsibility to encourage the family in this endeavor.

Disciplinary action resulting from the violation of a drug or alcohol-related regulation shall be determined by the appropriate school administrator according to guidelines set forth in such regulations.

1. Students shall not possess, use, transmit, sell, conceal, purchase, attempt to purchase, or consume any alcoholic beverage or intoxicant or any of the drugs/substances of abuse, regardless of legal status.
2. This provision shall be applicable to any conduct on school grounds, during and immediately before or after school hours; on school grounds at any other time when the school is being used by a group; off school grounds at a school-sponsored activity, function or event; on a school bus or conveyance; or at any other time during the same calendar day when the student is or will be subject to the authority of the school. Moreover, the student shall not consume any alcoholic beverages or intoxicants or drugs of abuse at any time before the students' arrival at school or at a school sponsored or related event or activity. Examples of drugs of abuse include, but are not limited to, narcotic drugs, hallucinogenic drugs, generic drugs, amphetamines, steroids, barbiturates, marijuana, glue, cocaine, as well as look-alikes, synthetics, or other substances that could modify behavior. Use of drugs in accordance with a medical prescription from a licensed physician shall not be considered in violation of this rule. However, all such drugs must be maintained in their original container and must be kept in the clinic/attendance office.
3. Students shall not possess, use, transmit, sell or conceal any drug-of abuse instrument or paraphernalia including hypodermic needle, syringe, water pipe, and roach clip. This also includes electronic-type devices such as JUULs, Vapes, e-cigarettes when laced with drug substances, regardless of legal status.

Chemical Abuse Policy Option:

Students that are first offenders, and simply in possession of drugs/alcohol or paraphernalia or having shown evidence of consumption of drugs/alcohol, or anabolic steroids may be suspended for up to ten (10) days.

1. The Principal/Associate Principal may suspend the student for up to ten (10) days.
2. The Principal/Associate Principal may notify the Juvenile Court and/or the Coshocton County Sheriff's Department.
3. The Associate Principal may arrange an intervention conference with the student and parent at which time the student may be referred to an appropriate agency.
 - a. Successful enrollment and/or completion of an outlined treatment program could be required before a student is permitted to return to school.
 - b. If the student does not agree to the outlined treatment, or does not complete the treatment within a reasonable period of time, the student may be placed at the alternative school indefinitely or receive a recommendation for expulsion.
 - c. The recommended counseling program will be at least 10 hours of treatment.

This option is a one -time procedure during the student's career in River View Schools.