

# POLICY

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BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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Care of School Property

5513 CARE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY

The Board of Education believes that the schools should help pupils learn to respect property and to develop feelings of pride in community institutions. The Board charges each pupil enrolled in this district with responsibility for the proper care of school property and the school supplies and equipment entrusted to his/her use.

Pupils who cause damage to school property will be subject to disciplinary measures. The Board authorizes the imposition of a fine for the loss, damage, or defacement of a mobile digital device such as a Chromebook, laptop, desktop, tablet or text book and reserves the right to withhold a report card or diploma from any pupil whose payment of a fine is in arrears.

A pupil who demonstrates chronic and/or serious disregard for property may be referred to the school intervention and referral services team.

The Superintendent shall develop rules for the safekeeping and accounting of a mobile digital device such as Chromebook, laptop, desktop, tablet or text book and prepare a schedule of fines for lost and damaged mobile digital device or textbooks.

N.J.S.A. 18A:34-2; 18A:37-3

N.J.A.C. 6A:23-6.6

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