

Emery County School District



Policy: JKA—Corporal Punishment

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In accordance with Utah Code 53G-8-302, the Board prohibits the use of corporal punishment in the schools. “Corporal punishment” is defined as the intentional infliction of physical pain upon the body of a minor child as a disciplinary measure. A “minor child” means a person under the age of 18, or under the age of 23 if receiving educational services as an individual with a disability.

A school employee may not inflict or cause the infliction of corporal punishment upon a child who is receiving service from the school.

An employee may not be subjected to any sanction for failure or refusal to commit an act prohibited by this policy.

Reports made on violations of the policy are subject to requirements of confidentiality provided by Utah Code.

Any school or individual who, in good faith, makes a report or cooperates in an investigation by a school or authorized public agency concerning a violation of this policy is immune from any civil or criminal liability that might otherwise result by reason of those actions.

Civil or criminal action may proceed against any employee without hindrance in the case of corporal punishment which would not be considered reasonable discipline.