

(B) ~~THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CABINET COUNCIL ON CRIMINAL AND JUVENILE JUSTICE SHALL:~~

(1) ~~ADOPT REGULATIONS ESTABLISHING~~ ESTABLISH GUIDELINES THAT DEFINE A STATE CODE OF DISCIPLINE FOR ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS WITH MINIMUM STRINGENT STANDARDS OF CONDUCT AND SPECIFIED CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE STANDARDS; AND

(2) ASSIST EACH COUNTY BOARD WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ~~REGULATIONS~~ GUIDELINES:

[(b)](C) (1) Subject to the provisions of [subsection (a)] SUBSECTIONS (A) AND (B) of this section, each county board shall adopt regulations designed to CREATE AND maintain within the ~~—~~ schools ~~—~~ SCHOOL COMMUNITY under its jurisdiction the atmosphere of order and discipline necessary for effective learning.

(2) The regulations adopted by a county board under this subsection:

(i) Shall provide for EDUCATIONAL AND BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTIONS, counseling, [or] AND STUDENT AND PARENT conferencing; and

(ii) [May permit] SHALL PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS, INCLUDING WHICH MAY INCLUDE IN-SCHOOL SUSPENSION, suspension, expulsion, or other disciplinary measures that are deemed appropriate.

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(a) (1) A principal, teacher, [or] school security guard, OR OTHER SCHOOL BASED STAFF SYSTEM PERSONNEL in any public school may [intervene in a fight or physical struggle that takes place in his presence in a school building or on school grounds, whether the fight is among students or other individuals] TAKE REASONABLE ACTION NECESSARY TO PREVENT VIOLENCE ON SCHOOL PREMISES OR ON A SCHOOL-SPONSORED TRIP, INCLUDING INTERVENING IN A FIGHT OR PHYSICAL STRUGGLE THAT TAKES PLACE IN HIS OR HER PRESENCE, WHETHER THE FIGHT IS AMONG STUDENTS OR OTHER INDIVIDUALS.

(2) The degree and force of the intervention may be as reasonably necessary to PREVENT VIOLENCE, restore order and to protect the safety of the combatants and surrounding individuals.

(b) A principal, teacher, [or] school security guard, OR OTHER SCHOOL BASED STAFF SYSTEM PERSONNEL who is hurt while TAKING PREVENTIVE ACTION OR intervening in a fight under this section:

(1) Shall be compensated by the county board for any necessary medical expenses that result directly from the PREVENTIVE ACTION OR intervention; and

(2) May not lose any compensation for time lost from school duties that results directly from the PREVENTIVE ACTION OR intervention, but compensation may be reduced by any payments made under the Maryland Workers' Compensation Act.