

Previous BPS Student Code of Conduct

Proposed Changes

Code of Conduct Updates for 2022-2023

Dress Code: no hoodies (p.#30)	Dress Code: hoods stay down inside of school, but hoodies are okay to wear (p. #30)
Dress Code: some parts are outdated (p. #31)	Dress Code: focuses on maintaining a professional learning environment (p. #31)
Acronyms are not always defined (p. #6, 12)	Acronyms are defined when discussed (p. #6, 12)
Process for students with disabilities was confusing to understand	Process for students with disabilities is highlighted and emphasized (p. 16)
Some outdated language use and references (p. #13, 32, 46)	Language and references are updated to focus on restorative practices rather than criminality (p. #13, 32, 46)
No discussion of hate speech	Hate speech is included on chart of inappropriate and disruptive behaviors (#20, p. #22)
Positive Behavior Systems chart did not include references to Alternatives to Suspension, Restorative Practices, or Problem-Solving Circles (p. #6)	Positive Behavior Systems chart is updated to include Alternatives to Suspension, Restorative Practices, and Problem-Solving Circles (p. # 6)
Not enough emphasis on using the lowest levels of response before escalating to Level 4	Emphasizes using interventions in a graduated way (p. #17, 18)

► After a thorough process involving hundreds of stakeholders, the Code of Conduct for Buffalo Public Schools has been updated, but the process isn't over!

► We appreciate the feedback you've provided. Here are some of the proposed changes, and we want to hear what you think *once again*. The feedback form is still open. Please use it to let us know what you think.

► One of the main things you told us was that the Code of Conduct is in good shape, but *communication about it* should be clearer. We heard you! We want to make things clear and simple. Here are some of the proposed changes, based on what you told us.