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*PiM Arts High School Policy 507*

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## **507 CORPORAL PUNISHMENT**

*Policy reflects Minnesota statute and aligns with other District 4110-07 policies*

### **I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to describe limitations on corporal punishment of students.

### **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

No employee or agent of the PiM Arts High School shall cause corporal punishment to be inflicted upon a student to reform unacceptable conduct or as a penalty for unacceptable conduct. As used in this policy, the term “corporal punishment” means conduct involving hitting or spanking a person with or without an object, or unreasonable physical force that causes bodily harm or substantial emotional harm.

### **III. EXCEPTIONS**

A teacher or administrator may use reasonable force when it is necessary under the circumstances to correct or restrain a student or prevent bodily harm or death to another. Other School District employees, school bus drivers, or other agents of PiM Arts High School may use reasonable force when necessary under the circumstances to restrain a student or prevent bodily harm or death to another.

### **IV. VIOLATION**

Employees who violate the provisions of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action as appropriate. Any such disciplinary action shall be made pursuant to and in accordance with applicable statutory authority, collective bargaining agreements and PiM policies. Violation of this policy may also result in civil or criminal liability for the employee.