

**SCHOOL SYSTEM COMMITMENT TO STANDARDS
FOR ETHICAL AND RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR**

The Board of Directors seeks to create and maintain a school climate in which ethical and responsible behavior can flourish. The Board believes that instilling a sense of ethics and responsibility in students requires setting positive expectations for student behavior as well as establishing disciplinary consequences for behavior that violates Board policy or school rules. Further, the Board believes that in order to teach ethical and responsible behavior, adults who interact with students must strive to model and reinforce ethical and responsible behavior. To that end, the Board supports an active partnership between schools, school staffs, and parents.

LEGAL REFERENCE: 20-A MRSA §§ 254, 1001(15)

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