

Policy Title:

Violence in the Work Place

Code No. **402.13**

Cedar Falls Community School District is committed to providing a safe, professional work environment that is free of violence, either by employees against other employees or by third parties against employees. Work place violence may include, but is not limited to, the following when such conduct is committed on school district property, at a school district activity or event, or in connection with a school district activity or event:

- offensive and/or unlawful touching by one person against another,
- threats of bodily harm to another,
- causing physical harm or injury to another,
- use of abusive language, threatening, or intimidating comments,
- possession of unauthorized firearms or weapons,
- conduct detrimental to school personnel, which may cause undue disruption of work or be perceived as endangering the safety of persons or property,
- stalking, or
- causing or encouraging another to commit conduct as listed above.

Such conduct will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment. Employees, who believe they have been subjected to violence in the work place, as defined in this policy, should immediately terminate all contact and communication with the offending party, inform their immediate supervisor and file a written complaint with the Director of Human Resources. Allegations of work place violence shall be investigated, documented and, if substantiated, disciplinary action shall be taken. Initiating legitimate complaints under this policy shall not cause any negative impact on the complainant, nor shall it affect their employment, compensation or work assignments.

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