

BERLIN HIGH SCHOOL
DISCIPLINE REFERRAL DEFINITIONS

BEHAVIOR

MINOR

MAJOR

ABUSIVE LANGUAGE, INAPPROPRIATE LANGUAGE, PROFANITY	Using inappropriate or profane language (not directed at an individual).	Directing inappropriate or profane language at a staff member or peer, especially if used aggressively.
ALCOHOL	No minor offense level.	No student shall possess, ingest, sell, provide, or be under the influence of alcohol. No student shall possess, sell, or provide any paraphernalia associated with the use or sale of alcohol. No student shall possess, sell, or provide any substances that is a look-a-like to alcohol.
ARSON	No minor offense level.	Student plans and/or participates in malicious burning of property .
BOMB THREAT, FALSE ALARM	No minor offense level.	Student delivers a message of possible explosive materials being on-campus, near campus, and/or pending explosion.
COMBUSTIBLES	No minor offense level.	Student is in possession of substances/ objects readily capable of causing bodily harm and/or property damage (firecrackers, gasoline, lighter fluid , lighter, matches, etc.)
DEFIANCE, DISRESPECT/ INSUBORDINATION/ NON-COMPLIANCE	Student engages in brief or low-intensity failure to respond to reasonable requests.	Student refuses to respond appropriately to reasonable requests, talking back, and/or engages in socially rude interactions.
DISRUPTION	Student engages in brief or low-intensity inappropriate disruption.	Student’s behavior causes an interruption in a class or activity. Disruption includes sustained loud talk, yelling, or screaming, horseplay or rough-housing; and/or sustained out-of-seat behavior
DRESS CODE VIOLATION	Student wears clothing that is near, but not within, the dress code guidelines of BHS, will be required to correct the violation immediately.	Student is unable or unwilling to correct a dress code violation upon request or a student repeatedly violates the dress code.

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FIGHTING?PHYSICAL CONTACT/ AGGRESSION	Student engages in non-serious, but inappropriate physical contact.	Student's actions involve serious physical contact with malicious intent where injury may or does occur (e.g. hitting, punching, hitting with an object, kicking, hair pulling, scratching, etc.).
FORGERY/THEFT	No minor offense level.	Student has signed a person's name without that person's permission. Student has written a note of dismissal or excuse for missing school. Student is in possession of, having passed on, or is responsible for removing someone else's property.
HARASSMENT, BULLYING	No minor offense level	Student delivers disrespectful messages (verbal or gestural) to another person that includes threats and intimidation, obscene gestures, pictures, or written notes. Disrespectful messages include negative comments based on race, religion, gender, age and/or national origin; sustained or intense verbal attacks based on ethnic origin, disabilities or other personal matters.
INAPPROPRIATE DISPLAYS OF AFFECTION	Student engages in an inappropriate display of affection that may result in others feeling uncomfortable (e.g. kissing, hugging inappropriate touching, sitting on the lap of another, etc.).	Student repeatedly engages in an inappropriate display of affection that may result in others feeling uncomfortable (e.g. kissing, hugging, inappropriate touching, sitting on the lap of another, etc.).
INFORMATION AND ELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGY VIOLATION	Student's personal electronic device, including but not limited to cell phones, pagers, walkmans, CD players, MP3 players, etc. is visible and/or audible .	Student engages in use of a personal electronic device including but not limited to cell phones, pagers, walkmans, CD players, MP3 players, etc. between the hours of 7:35am—2:16pm. Student engages in inappropriate use of technology
LYING/CHEATING/ACADEMIC DISHONESTY	No minor offense level.	Student uses plagiarized papers/projects, involved in any unauthorized sharing and/or other form of cheating.
OTHER DRUGS	No minor offense level.	No student shall possess, ingest, sell, provide, or be under the influence of a controlled substance not prescribed by a medical practitioner. No student shall possess, sell, or provide any paraphernalia associated with the use or sale of controlled substances. No student shall possess, sell, or provide any substance that is a look-a-like to controlled substances. No student shall possess, ingest, sell, or provide any prescribed or over the counter medications. These necessary medications must be administered by the school nurse.

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SEXUAL HARASSMENT	No minor offense level.	Student engages in unwanted physical /verbal behavior of a sexual nature.
SKIPPING CLASS, TRUANCY	No minor offense level.	Student leaves class/school without permission or stays out of class/school without permission.
TARDIES	No minor offense level.	Student's two feet are not in the door by the time the bell stops ringing and student does not present a written excuse or obtain prior verbal permission from the attending teacher.
TOBACCO	No minor offense level	Student is in possession of or is using tobacco.
UNPREPARED FOR CLASS	Student comes to class without all necessary materials.	Student repeatedly comes to class without all necessary materials.
VANDALISM/PROPERTY DAMAGE	Student unintentionally damages or destroys property (restitution may be collected)	Student deliberately damages or destroys property
WEAPONS	No minor offense level.	Student is in possession of items such as, but not limited to: knives, firearms, explosives, incendiaries, martial arts weapons, electronic defense weapons, clubs, billies, metallic knuckles or containers containing chemicals such as pepper gas or mace, or the use of any object as a weapon.