

The board recognizes that providing students with the opportunity to receive a sound basic education must be the primary focus of each school, the school system, and the board. To support students in their formal education, each school should strive for a learning environment in which:

1. school grounds, buildings, and classrooms are safe, orderly, clean, and inviting;
2. students learn and practice responsible behavior;
3. students are treated fairly; and
4. students have input in decisions affecting them when feasible.

Legal References: G.S. 115C-36, -47; *Leandro v. State*, 346 N.C. 336 (1997)

Cross References: Board Authority and Duties (policy 1010)

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