

KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AGENDA STATEMENT

No. 11 d.

MEETING OF February 26, 2025

ITEM TITLE:

**PUBLIC HEARING - POLICY**

Motion to approve revisions to BP 5131.5  
Vandalism, Theft and Graffiti

REVIEWED BY:

Policy Committee  
 Finance

SUBMITTED BY: School Board Policy Committee

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL: Michael Robbins, Superintendent, 907 247 2109

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The School Board Policy Committee is proposing approval of revisions to Board Policy 5131.5.

ISSUE/BACKGROUND:

Board Bylaw 9300 states that "The formulation and adoption of written Board policies shall constitute the basic method by which the Board shall govern the school district." Board Policy 0500 and Board Bylaw 9311 both address the ongoing review of district policies and programs by the School Board. The proposed revisions are in line with AASB suggested policy updates

ATTACHMENTS:

- BP 5131.5 Vandalism, Theft and Graffiti (with revisions)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

"I move that the Board of Education **approve revisions to Board Policy 5131.5 Vandalism, Theft and Graffiti, in first reading.**"

The School Board considers vandalism a very serious matter. Vandalism includes negligent, willful, or unlawful damaging or theft of any district-owned real or personal property, including the writing of graffiti.

*(cf. 515.4 - Recovery for Property Loss or Damage)*

Any district student who commits an act of vandalism shall be subject to disciplinary action, reparation for damages, and may be reported to the law enforcement.

~~If reparation is not made, the district shall withhold the student's grades, diploma or transcripts.~~

If the student and parent/guardian are unable to pay for the damages the Superintendent or designee shall provide a program of voluntary work for the student, with credit towards the bill being calculated by the state minimum wage multiplied by the number of hours worked. When reparations are repaid, the student's grades, diploma or transcripts shall be released.

In absence of a reparation agreement, unpaid balances over \$50 and more than 90 days delinquent will be turned over to a collections agency for collection.

~~(cf. 5125.3 - Withholding Grades, Diploma or Transcripts)~~

(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

(cf. AR 5131 – Code of Conduct)

Legal Reference:

ALASKA STATUTES

09.65.255 Liability for destruction of property by minors

14.33.130 Enforcement of approved program [school disciplinary & safety program]; additional safety obligations

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**Revision Date: 07/23/08**

**Revision Date: 10/27/2010**