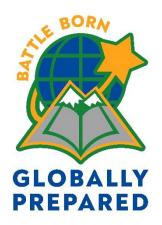
Nevada Department of Education

# Standardized Definitions

for Student Discipline Offenses and Sanctions



## Background

The passage of <u>Assembly Bill (AB) 490</u> in 2019 amended Chapter 385A of Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) by adding a new section regarding the collection and reporting of student discipline data. Section 2 of <u>NRS 385A.840</u> requires the Nevada Department of Education (NDE) to "establish standard definitions of an offense for which a pupil may be disciplined and any related sanctions." In addition, NDE is required to:

- develop guidance on methods and procedures for collecting student discipline data, and
- provide training and professional development relating to reporting and analysis of that data, including the ability to generate, interpret, and utilize a report on student discipline data in the development of a responsive plan of action

The 2021 Session of the Nevada Legislature saw the passage of a host of additional bills that further impacted student discipline laws. Those statutory changes have been incorporated here, as appropriate. Most notably, <u>AB 67 (2021)</u> defined suspension, expulsion, and permanent expulsion in state law, while other bills provided additional limitations and/or requirements regarding the application of disciplinary sanctions. A number of bills require further regulatory work on the part of NDE as well. As such, it is anticipated that efforts to align the definitions for behavior offenses and sanctions will continue to be an organic and evolving process as NDE works to collaborate with our LEA partners in developing common processes and understanding, with the ultimate goal being the collecting, reporting, and understanding of student discipline data that is both meaningful and useful.

Local Education Agencies (LEAs) were invited to nominate individuals to serve on a workgroup tasked with establishing those standard discipline definitions during the summer of 2020. The resulting AB 490 Workgroup, consisting of those representatives, met for six consecutive weeks from July through August of that year. NDE staff began by surveying LEA partners for information and artifacts, documents, and other materials regarding existing discipline definitions and policies. The AB 490 Workgroup then consolidated the original bank of 97 discipline offense types to a combined list of 34 offenses across 9 general categories:

- 1. ATTENDANCE RELATED BEHAVIORS
- 2. VIOLATIONS OF SCHOOL RULES
- 3. DISRUPTIONS OF CLASS/SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
- 4. PROHIBITED BEHAVIORS GENERAL
- 5. BULLYING BEHAVIORS

- 6. SUBSTANCE USE BEHAVIORS
- 7. THREAT BEHAVIORS
- 8. VIOLENT BEHAVIORS
- 9. WEAPONS INVOLVED BEHAVIORS

The AB 490 Workgroup also recommended including information for each consolidated definition regarding previously used event types, as applicable, as well as guidance on decision processes for ruling out other potential behavior types. Where available, federal definitions were also considered and included. A list of behavior types that have been <u>eliminated</u> is also include, with notes regarding the rationale of the Workgroup in choosing to eliminate them. The final section of this document provides standard definitions for discipline <u>sanctions</u>, as captured in state law.

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## A Systematic Approach to Student Behavior

Research on student behavior has consistently demonstrated the importance of taking a systematic approach to proactively teaching expectations for student behavior, so that students know how to be successful across a variety of academic settings and contexts, and then applying differentiated supports when student behaviors do not align with those expectations. Nevada is committed to the use of a Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) as a framework for applying the evidence-based processes stemming from implementation science across all student interventions and supports (see <u>NRS 388.885</u>). More information on MTSS can be found on NDE's <u>website</u>, including an introductory <u>MTSS Guidance Document</u>.

When student behavior is addressed through the systematic, intentional approach that an MTSS framework provides for, student discipline issues decline dramatically. A core component of Nevada's MTSS framework is the use of data, on an ongoing and regular basis, to not only help identify the needs of the school but to also determine if the strategies and activities the school is implementing are being effective in addressing those needs. This aligns with a number of recent additions to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) regarding the collection and use of student discipline data.

At the universal, Tier 1 level, expectations for student behavior are clearly and concretely taught to all students, using a variety of instructional methods. Students and educators have a shared understanding of not only what types of behaviors are prohibited, but, perhaps more importantly, what types of behaviors are expected within the school environment; those expectations are often founded upon values such as respect, responsibility, and safety, and are tied to host of positive academic outcomes. The intentional teaching and reinforcing of the actions that students can take to increase their chances of success decreases the need for students to learn, by trial and error, what will or will not be allowed. Standardizing expectations also takes away the guesswork for educators, such that expectations for student behavior are applied equitably and fairly across all school environments. Tier 1 efforts that encourage a positive <u>school climate</u>, seek to prevent <u>bullying</u> behaviors, and support the development of a <u>safe</u> and <u>supportive</u> learning environment work hand in helping students know that their teachers and school administrators both want and expect them to be successful.

When specific issues or student behaviors arise that fall outside of the universally taught expectations, or if the instruction provided to all students isn't sufficient to support all students in meeting those expectations, additional interventions and supports may be applied at a Tier 2 level. Tier 2 interventions and supports provide more targeted instruction and reinforcement of expected behaviors that may be tailored to a particular challenge; for example, if a school sees an increase in student discipline and behavior issues in the cafeteria during lunch time, it may be helpful to revisit and reteach expectations for how students should and should

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not behave in that particular setting. Upticks in bullying behaviors that may be associated with a recent trend on social media may also trigger a renewed focus at a Tier 2 level in supporting more appropriate student behaviors for affected student groups. Investment on the part of school administrators and classroom teachers at Tier 1 and Tier 2 strategies to support positive student behavior has been shown, time and again, to decrease the number of individual, student level challenges and the need for Tier 3 interventions and supports. In other words, emphasizing Tier 1 and Tier 2 interventions within an MTSS approach to student discipline will decrease the number of student discipline infractions and the need for individual student disciplinary actions.

If a school has implemented Tier 1 and Tier 2 student behavior interventions with fidelity, when students do struggle with individual disciplinary infractions the school does not have to start over from scratch in trying to determine what the particular cause may be, or what possible responses or interventions should be considered, since that student would have already had the opportunity to receive the instruction and reinforcement of expected behaviors through the universal and targeted strategies and activities included in the school's MTSS framework for student discipline. This is especially important when Restorative Justice/Practices (RJ/P) are added to the requirements for responding to student discipline issues.

As was noted earlier, a number of bills requiring the use of restorative disciplinary practices have passed in recent Sessions of the Nevada Legislature. Per <u>NRS 392.4644</u>, each school district is required to submit to NDE, on an annual basis, a Restorative Discipline Plan; these plans were formerly known as Progressive Discipline Plans, prior to the passage of <u>Senate Bill (SB) 89</u> during the 2019 Legislative Session. This school- and district-wide Restorative Discipline Plan must be developed in accordance with the statewide framework for restorative justice, as defined in regulations, and should therefore capture those strategies and interventions that the school or district will implement at both the universal, Tier 1 and targeted, Tier 2 levels, and not solely those for use at the Tier 3, individual student level. NDE is required to provide and update on an annual basis resources and guidance for implementing restorative discipline, which can be found on the Department's website for <u>Discipline and Restorative Practices</u>.

Other changes to NRS in recent years have added a requirement that each student must be provided an individual plan of action that is based on restorative justice prior to any disciplinary removal of the student, including suspension, expulsion, or a temporary alternative placement as allowed by <u>NRS 392.4645</u>. It is important to note that, per <u>SB 354 (2021)</u>, any student who is removed from a classroom or any other premises of a school for more than 2 school days must be offered educational services, appropriate positive behavioral interventions and supports, trauma-informed supports, and a referral for services from the school social worker or school counselor. Per <u>AB 194 (2021)</u>, the board of trustees of a school district and the governing body of a charter school must adopt a policy for appealing a suspension or expulsion and provide information about that policy to the student and their parents when a decision to suspend or expel a student is made.

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When taken together, it may be helpful to view the numerous changes to state laws and regulations regarding student discipline as a comprehensive, systematic approach, rather than a number of stand-alone measures. The successful implementation of each requirement depends on the ability of a school or district to have access to reliable and consistent data regarding student behavior. Our hope is that, by standardizing the definitions of disciplinary event types and any consequences or sanctions that are imposed as a result of discipline infractions, the student discipline data that is collected, reported, and analyzed in schools and districts throughout the state will become more meaningful and useful in meeting the statutory and regulatory requirements regarding student discipline.

The shift toward restorative approaches to student behavior also requires the ability to accurately examine any disproportionality that may be occurring; this requires state and local education agencies to ensure that all individuals who are responsible for recording student discipline data within the student information system both understand and mean the same thing when they cite a student for a prohibited behavior. In addition, these definitions will be useful in school improvement processes and planning, providing each school and district with vital data on both the strengths and needs of their school communities as they develop and review the annual plan to improve the achievement of students that is required by <u>NRS 385A.650</u>.

## How to Use this Document

#### Standardized Definitions for Student Discipline Offenses and Sanctions

This document provides a full accounting of all relevant information regarding standardized definitions for student behavior event types, including full citations for state or federal definitions where applicable. A companion *Quick Guide* has also been provided as a separate document, which includes all of the information from this full document but does not include the full citations for state or federal definitions.

#### General Structure of Definitions

Each definition of a student discipline event type has three columns of information:

1. The first column includes information that may be useful to school and district administrators as they begin implementing the standardized definitions. For example, any label or name for the event type that an LEA has used in recent years is listed in that first column, so that LEAs can easily identify where the events they have used previously fall within the new, aligned definitions. Notes on things that administrators should Rule Out as they are deciding which behavior offense most accurately captures a particular incident are included here as well, in addition to other information on recent legislative changes.

2. The **second** column provides the **state definition** of each type of discipline offense and sanction. Most often this information comes directly from cited state law or regulation; for those event types that are not defined formally, the AB 490 Workgroup developed working definitions based on a combination of similar events and descriptions from LEAs throughout the state.

3. The **third** column includes any **federal definition** for a particular event type; this is provided to assist LEAs in their Office of Civil Rights reporting requirements and demonstrate alignment with state definitions, when possible.

#### Integration with the Student Information System

To support standardized reporting and analysis, the behavior event types defined in this document will be incorporated into the student discipline tab of the student information system that is used by all public schools in the state. In those instances in which existing behavior event types are not aligned with these standardized definitions, school administrations and classroom teachers are encouraged to use the behavior event type that most closely aligns with the standardized definition, until the necessary changes to the student information system are completed.

Additional information regarding the integration of these standardized definitions with the student information system is provided below:

**Disproportionality:** One of the key concerns brought by members of the AB 490 Workgroup was the frequency with which student misbehavior and the consequences associated with that misbehavior are identified and applied in what may appear to be random, haphazard ways by school leaders and teachers. As such, the workgroup intentionally sought ways to decrease the level of subjectivity that may be applied when responding to student discipline issues as a result of implicit or explicit biases held by school leaders and teachers. It is hoped that the use of standardized definitions for discipline offenses and sanctions, in conjunction with definitions that support more intentional and equitable application of student discipline measures, will also support a decrease in disproportional disciplinary sanctions. This goal is further in alignment with the requirements of Assembly Bill (AB) 490 from the 2019 Legislative Session, which sought to address some of the factors that have historically contributed to disproportionate responses and outcomes for student discipline infractions across many student groups, including students with disabilities.

**Information Required in Narrative Portions**: In keeping with the workgroup's goal of decreasing subjective and disproportionate application of student discipline sanctions, there are a number of behavior event types defined in this document that include a note regarding information that must be included in the narrative portion of the student discipline tab in the student information system. These most often include a requirement to cite which rule or expectation for student behavior was violated, as well as what efforts were taken by the school or the classroom teacher to prevent the unwanted behavior, including through explicit instruction regarding expectations and actions to reteach and reinforce expectations for positive student behavior.

**Major vs Minor Behaviors**: Each student discipline event type defined in this document has also been noted as either a minor behavior event or a major behavior event. Schools that are implementing Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports will recognize this terminology as a key component of an MTSS framework for student behavior, in that each school determines the number of infractions at a minor level that will trigger the same infraction being considered a major behavior event type. In general, the consequences or sanctions that may be considered as a result of a student discipline infraction are also tied to whether or not the event type is considered a minor or a major behavior; more significant (major) student behavior event types would be expected to be associated with more significant sanctions or consequences. Likewise, a minor behavior event type will not likely trigger the imposition of significant sanctions, such as suspension or expulsion. If, however, a school has determined through it's implementation of PBIS or MTSS that a minor behavior may be deemed as a

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major behavior after a set number of infractions, that behavior may be coded as a major behavior rather than a minor behavior. If a school administrator has determined that the circumstances and context of the behavior would be more appropriately captured by labeling the event type as a major behavior rather than a minor behavior, or if doing so would lead to more individualized and targeted interventions and supports for the student, they may exercise discretion in how that behavior event is labeled in the student information system.

## LIST OF DISCIPLINE OFFENSES (BEHAVIOR TYPES)

#### 1. ATTENDANCE RELATED BEHAVIORS

- a. EXCESSIVE TARDIES (minor)
- b. TRUANCY (minor)
- c. HABITUAL TRUANCY (major)
- 2. VIOLATIONS OF SCHOOL RULES
  - a. DISREGARD FOR SCHOOL RULES (minor)
  - b. INSUBORDINATION (major)
- 3. DISRUPTIONS OF CLASS/SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
  - a. INTERFERENCE WITH INSTRUCTION (minor)
  - b. DISRUPTION OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (major)
- 4. PROHIBITED BEHAVIORS GENERAL
  - a. ARSON (major, or minor)
  - b. BUS/TRANSPORTATION (minor)
  - c. CHEATING/PLAGIARISM (major, or minor)
  - d. DAMAGE TO OR DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY ON SCHOOL GROUNDS (major, or minor)
  - e. DRESS CODE VIOLATION (minor)
  - f. GANG RELATED BEHAVIOR/ACTIVITY (major)
  - g. HABITUAL DISCIPLINARY PROBLEM (major)
  - h. IMPAIRING HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE OF OTHERS (major, or minor)
  - i. INAPPROPRIATE LANGUAGE (minor)
  - j. SEXUAL ASSAULT (major)

- k. SEXUAL MISCONDUCT/HARASSMENT (major)
- I. TECHNOLOGY VIOLATION (minor)
- m. THEFT/POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY
- n. TRESPASSING (minor or major)
- 5. BULLYING BEHAVIORS
  - a. BULLYING (minor or major)
  - b. CYBERBULLYING (minor or major)
  - c. DISCRIMINATION BASED ON RACE (minor or major)
- 6. <u>SUBSTANCE USE BEHAVIORS</u>
  - a. ALCOHOL POSSESSION/USE OF (minor)
  - b. DRUG PARAPHERNALIA POSSESSION OF (minor)
  - c. POSSESSION/USE OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE (major)
  - d. TOBACCO VIOLATION (minor)
- 7. THREAT BEHAVIORS
  - a. THREAT TO SCHOOL (major)
  - b. THREAT TO STAFF (major)
  - c. THREAT TO STUDENT (major)
- 8. VIOLENT BEHAVIORS
  - a. VIOLENCE/HARM TO STAFF (major)
  - b. VIOLENCE/HARM TO STUDENT (major)
- 9. WEAPONS INVOLVED BEHAVIORS
  - a. POSSESSION/USE OF A WEAPON (major)

## ATTENDANCE RELATED BEHAVIORS

<u>NOTE</u>: Only attendance events that involve disciplinary sanctions should be coded in the Behavior tab of the student information system. Regular attendance events such as missed instruction, single absences, or tardies should not be entered in the Behavior tab; those should be recorded in the Attendance tab of the student information system instead.

EXCESSIVE TARDIES (minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Does not include:	Violations of a policy regarding	
<ul> <li>Tardy/Missed Instruction (this is</li> </ul>	attendance adopted by a board of	
an attendance code, not a	trustees pursuant to <u>NRS 392.122</u> , the	
behavior code).	Written Rules of Behavior adopted by the	
	school district pursuant to NRS 392.463,	
	or the rules of the school as outlined in	
	the Parent/Student handbook or	
	disseminated by a school in regard to the	
	number of tardies that will result in a	
	student receiving disciplinary sanctions.	
	Decisions on the number of tardies that	
	will result in a student receiving	
	disciplinary sanctions should be based on	
	localized considerations such as the	
	school level, age and/or development of	
	students, and other local considerations	
	(such as layout of the school campus or	
	status as open or closed campus) and	
	may be contextualized by school level or	
	campus based on those considerations as	
	long as there is an effort for	
	standardization across the LEA by grade	
	or school levels.	

TRUANCY (minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	NRS 392.130 Conditions under which pupil	
	deemed truant; approval required for absence;	
	notice of unapproved absence to parent;	
	applicability.	
	1. Within the meaning of this chapter, a pupil	
	shall be deemed a truant who is absent from	
	school without the written approval of the pupil's	
	teacher or the principal of the school, unless the	
	pupil is physically or mentally unable to attend	
	school. The teacher or principal shall give his or her	
	written approval for a pupil to be absent if an	
	emergency exists or upon the request of a parent	
	or legal guardian of the pupil. Before a pupil may	
	attend or otherwise participate in school activities	
	outside the classroom during regular classroom	
	hours, the pupil must receive the approval of the	
	teacher or principal.	
	2. An unapproved absence for at least one	
	period, or the equivalent of one period for the	
	school, of a school day may be deemed a truancy	
	for the purposes of this section.	
	3. If a pupil is physically or mentally unable to	
	attend school, the parent or legal guardian or other	
	person having control or charge of the pupil shall	
	notify the teacher or principal of the school orally	
	or in writing, in accordance with the policy	
	established by the board of trustees of the school	
	district, within 3 days after the pupil returns to	
	school.	
	4. An absence which has not been approved	
	pursuant to subsection 1 or 3 shall be deemed an	
	unapproved absence. In the event of an	
	unapproved absence, the teacher, attendance	
	officer or other school official shall deliver or cause	
	to be delivered a written notice of truancy to the	
	parent, legal guardian or other person having	
	control or charge of the child. The written notice	

TRUANCY (minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	must be delivered to the parent, legal guardian or	
	other person who has control of the child. The	
	written notice must inform the parents or legal	
	guardian of such absences in a form specified by	
	the Department.	
	5. The provisions of this section apply to all	
	pupils who are required to attend school pursuant	
	to <u>NRS 392.040</u> .	
	6. As used in this section, "physically or	
	mentally unable to attend" does not include a	
	physical or mental condition for which a pupil is	
	excused pursuant to NRS 392.050.	
	[372:32:1956] — (NRS A <u>1985, 2168</u> ; <u>1987,</u>	
	<u>158; 1997, 2835; 1999, 3456; 2007, 1082, 2181)</u>	

HABITUAL TRUANCY (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	NRS 392.140 Conditions under which pupil	
	declared habitual truant; applicability.	
	1. Any child who has been declared a truant	
	three or more times within one school year must	
	be declared a habitual truant.	
	2. Any child who has once been declared a	
	habitual truant and who in an immediately	
	succeeding year is absent from school without the	
	written:	
	(a) Approval of the child's teacher or the	
	principal of the school pursuant to subsection 1	
	of <u>NRS 392.130</u> ; or	
	(b) Notice of his or her parent or legal guardian	
	or other person who has control or charge over the	
	pupil pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 392.130,	
	Ê may again be declared a habitual truant.	
	3. The provisions of this section apply to all	
	pupils who are required to attend school pursuant	
	to <u>NRS 392.040</u> .	

HABITUAL TRUANCY (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	[373:32:1956] — (NRS A <u>1997, 2836</u> ; <u>1999,</u>	
	<u>3457; 2007, 1083, 2182</u> )	

## VIOLATIONS OF SCHOOL RULES

DISREGARD FOR SCHOOL RULES (minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Includes: • Horseplay/pushing • Unacceptable school behavior • Nuisance item • Inappropriate display of affection (public display of affection) • Throwing substance at vehicle (if NO damage occurred to the vehicle; if damage did occur to the vehicle, code to Damage of or Destruction of Property on School Grounds) Rule out: • Other minor or major prohibited behaviors that more accurately capture the actual behavior of the student. Consider (based on age/development of the student): • Inappropriate touching • Indecent exposure	Violations of the Written Rules of Behavior adopted by the school district pursuant to <u>NRS 392.463</u> and/or violations of the rules of the school as outlined in the Parent/Student handbook, or disseminated by the individual school, teacher, or coach. <b>NOTE:</b> Use of this behavior code <b>requires</b> a citation in the behavior description narrative within the student information system of: • the <b>specific rule</b> that was violated	

INSUBORDINATION (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Includes:	Offenses that involve repeatedly and	
<ul> <li>No show – Detention</li> </ul>	willfully not following written,	

INSUBORDINATION (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Resisting Officer	disseminated, <b>known</b> , and/or verbal rules or expectations that have been taught,	
Rule out:	even after reteaching and prompting.	
<ul> <li>Other minor or major prohibited behaviors that more accurately capture the actual behavior of the student.</li> </ul>	<b>NOTE:</b> Use of this behavior code <b>requires</b> a citation in the behavior description narrative within the student information	
<ul> <li>Does not include:</li> <li>Behaviors related to attendance (see Attendance Related Behaviors)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>system of:</li> <li>the specific rule or expectation that was repeatedly and willfully violated, and</li> <li>a description of efforts that were employed to teach, reteach, and/or prompt the student regarding the specific rule or expectation</li> </ul>	

## DISRUPTIONS OF CLASS/SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

INTERFERENCE WITH INSTRUCTION (minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Includes:	Disruptive conduct in the <b>classroom</b>	
Class Disruption	which has the effect of disrupting the instruction of other students and which	
Rule out:	are violations of the Written Rules of	
<ul> <li>Does not result in a large scale disturbance.</li> <li>Other minor or major prohibited behaviors that more accurately capture the actual behavior of the student.</li> </ul>	Behavior adopted by the school district pursuant to <u>NRS 392.463</u> and/or violations of the rules of the school as outlined in the Parent/Student handbook or disseminated by the school.	

DISRUPTION OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
<ul> <li>Includes:</li> <li>Disturbing the peace</li> <li>Riot/brawl</li> <li>False fire alarm</li> <li>False reporting of weapon</li> <li>Rule out:</li> <li>This event type is for use with large scale disturbances only.</li> <li>Other major prohibited behaviors that more accurately capture the</li> </ul>	Willfully interfering with or disturbing persons in the <b>general educational</b> <b>activities of the school</b> through violations of the Written Rules of Behavior adopted by the school district pursuant to <u>NRS</u> <u>392.463</u> and/or violations of the rules of the school as outlined in the Parent/Student handbook or disseminated by the school.	

## **PROHIBITED BEHAVIORS - GENERAL**

ARSON (major, or minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
<ul> <li>ARSON (major, or minor)</li> <li>Note:         <ul> <li>This event type should be coded as a MAJOR behavior, unless the developmental stage of the student or a lower severity incident indicate that it would be more appropriately coded as a MINOR event type.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	State Definition Intentionally setting fire, or attempting to set fire, or intentionally engaging in malicious conduct which may reasonably be foreseen to set fire to property of another, participating in, or encouraging another person to participate in such conduct. <u>NRS 205.005</u> "Set fire to" defined. Any person shall be deemed to have "set fire to" a building, structure or any property mentioned in <u>NRS</u> 205.010 to 205.030, inclusive, whenever any part thereof or anything therein shall be scorched, charred or burned. [1911 C&P § 363; RL § 6628; NCL § 10313] —	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	(Substituted in revision for NRS 205.040)	

BUS/TRANSPORTATION (minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Rule out:	A violation of the transportation policy	
Other major prohibited behavior	adopted by the board of trustees	
that more appropriately captures	pursuant to <u>NRS 392.4636</u> .	
the behavior of the student.		
	NRS 392.4636 School transportation policy.	
	<ol> <li>The board of trustees of each school</li> </ol>	
	district shall adopt a policy for school	
	transportation which includes, without limitation:	
	<ul><li>(a) Rules regarding the conduct of pupils on</li></ul>	
	school transportation;	
	(b) Responsibilities for the driver of school	
	transportation and any other staff member on	
	school transportation;	

BUS/TRANSPORTATION (minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	(c) Responsibilities for the principal of a public	
	school relating to school transportation; and	
	(d) A process for progressive discipline on	
	school transportation which establishes discipline	
	on the basis of the category and number of	
	offenses committed by a pupil. The process for	
	progressive discipline must include, without	
	limitation, provisions relating to notification of	
	the parent or legal guardian of a pupil, a	
	conference involving the pupil, driver and	
	principal and the exclusion of a pupil from school	
	transportation for severe or repeated offenses by	
	the pupil.	
	<ol><li>The plan established pursuant to <u>NRS</u></li></ol>	
	<u>392.4644</u> must include the policy for school	
	transportation adopted by the board of trustees	
	of the school district in which the public school is	
	located pursuant to subsection 1.	
	3. A pupil must not be removed or otherwise	
	excluded from school transportation provided by	
	a school district or public school during the same	
	trip in which the pupil has engaged in behavior	
	which violates the policy for school transportation	
	adopted pursuant to subsection 1.	
	(Added to NRS by <u>2017, 2004</u> )	

CHEATING/PLAGIARISM (major, or	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
minor)		
Includes:	A violation of the Code of Honor related	
Altering records	to cheating established pursuant to NRS	
Communicating false information	<u>392.461</u> . In general, cheating is the	
(written or spoken)	improper taking of information from	
Dishonesty	and/or giving of information to another	
Forgery	student, individual or other source.	

CHEATING/PLAGIARISM (major, or	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
minor)		
	5. Each classroom teacher shall:	
	(a) Distribute the code of honor to each pupil	
	enrolled in the teacher's class and to the parent	
	or legal guardian of each pupil enrolled in his or	
	her class at the beginning of each school year or	
	upon a pupil's enrollment in the teacher's class, as	
	applicable;	
	(b) Provide the pupil and the parent or legal	
	guardian of the pupil with a reasonable	
	opportunity to sign the code of honor; and	
	(c) If the code of honor is returned with the	
	signatures, retain a copy of the signed code of	
	honor in the pupil's file.	
	(Added to NRS by <u>2005, 1661</u> ; A <u>2007, 2916</u> )	

DAMAGE TO OR DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY ON SCHOOL GROUNDS (major, or minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
<ul> <li>Includes:</li> <li>Graffiti</li> <li>Tampering with motor vehicles</li> <li>Throwing substance at vehicle (if damage occurred to the vehicle; if damage did not occur to the vehicle then code to Disregard for School Rules, minor)</li> <li>Vandalism</li> </ul>	Violations of the Written Rules of Behavior adopted by the school district pursuant to <u>NRS 392.463</u> relating to the willful or malicious destruction of or injury to real or personal property of another.	
<ul> <li>Note:</li> <li>This event type should be coded as a MAJOR behavior, unless the</li> </ul>		

DAMAGE TO OR DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY ON SCHOOL GROUNDS	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
(major, or minor)		
developmental stage of the student or a lower severity incident indicate that it would be more appropriately coded as a MINOR event type.		

DRESS CODE VIOLATION (minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
<ul> <li>Includes:</li> <li>Non-dress Physical Education (PE)</li> <li>Indecent exposure (rule out age/development level of the student and other major prohibited behavior that more appropriately captures the behavior of the student)</li> </ul>	Violations of the dress code as outlined in the parent student handbook and/or individual school rules. This includes violations of a school uniform policy adopted pursuant to <u>NRS 386.855</u> .	
Rule out:		
<ul> <li>repeated = insubordination</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>more appropriate significant behavior types/offenses</li> </ul>		

GANG RELATED BEHAVIOR/ACTIVITY (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	Violations of the policy established by the board of trustees for the prohibition of activities of criminal gangs on school property pursuant to <u>NRS 392.4635</u> .	

GANG RELATED BEHAVIOR/ACTIVITY	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
(major)		
	NRS 392.4635 Policy for prohibition of	
	activities of criminal gangs on school property.	
	1. The board of trustees of each school	
	district shall establish a policy that prohibits the	
	activities of criminal gangs on school property.	
	<ol><li>The policy established pursuant to</li></ol>	
	subsection 1 may include, without limitation:	
	(a) The provision of training for the	
	prevention of the activities of criminal gangs on	
	school property.	
	(b) If the policy includes training:	
	<ol><li>A designation of the grade levels of the</li></ol>	
	pupils who must receive the training.	
	(2) A designation of the personnel who	
	must receive the training, including, without	
	limitation, personnel who are employed in	
	schools at the grade levels designated pursuant to	
	subparagraph (1).	
	Ê The board of trustees of each school district	
	shall ensure that the training is provided to the	
	pupils and personnel designated in the policy.	
	(c) Provisions which prohibit:	
	<ol><li>A pupil from wearing any clothing or</li></ol>	
	carrying any symbol on school property that	
	denotes membership in or an affiliation with a	
	criminal gang; and	
	(2) Any activity that encourages	
	participation in a criminal gang or facilitates illegal	
	acts of a criminal gang.	
	(d) Provisions which provide for the	
	suspension or expulsion pursuant to NRS	
	<u>392.466</u> and <u>392.467</u> of pupils who violate the	
	policy.	

GANG RELATED BEHAVIOR/ACTIVITY	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
(major)		
	3. The board of trustees of each school	
	district may develop the policy required pursuant	
	to subsection 1 in consultation with:	
	<ul><li>(a) Local law enforcement agencies;</li></ul>	
	<ul><li>(b) School police officers, if any;</li></ul>	
	(c) Persons who have experience regarding	
	the actions and activities of criminal gangs;	
	(d) Organizations which are dedicated to	
	alleviating criminal gangs or assisting members of	
	criminal gangs who wish to disassociate from the	
	gang; and	
	(e) Any other person deemed necessary by	
	the board of trustees.	
	4. As used in this section, "criminal gang" has	
	the meaning ascribed to it in <u>NRS 213.1263</u> .	
	(Added to NRS by <u>1995, 1426</u> ; A <u>2009,</u>	
	<u>1195; 2019, 3572</u> )	

HABITUAL DISCIPLINARY PROBLEM (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
<ul> <li>Includes:</li> <li>Extortion or threat of extortion</li> <li>Out-of-district removals (when students are enrolled while pending sanctions from another LEA)</li> </ul>	NRS 392.4655 Conditions under which pupil deemed habitual disciplinary problem; plan of behavior to prevent pupil from being deemed habitual disciplinary problem; appeal by parent or guardian concerning content of plan or action taken pursuant to plan. 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a principal of a school shall deem a pupil	
<ul> <li>Note:</li> <li>"One year" means one school year.</li> <li>SB 354 (2021) imposed limitations on deeming a student who is</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>enrolled in the school a habitual disciplinary problem if the school has written evidence which documents that in <b>1 school year</b>:</li> <li>(a) The pupil has threatened or extorted, or attempted to threaten or extort, another pupil or a teacher or other personnel employed by the</li> </ul>	

HABITUAL DISCIPLINARY PROBLEM (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
<ul> <li>homeless or unaccompanied as a habitual disciplinary problem</li> <li>AB 67 (2021) amended NRS 392.4655 to define "signification suspension" for the purposes of deeming a student a habitual disciplinary problem as prohibiting the student from attending school for 3 or more consecutive days and the requirement of parent conference or other form of communication prior to the student being allowed to return to school (see section on definitions of Sanctions).</li> </ul>	school two or more times or the pupil has a record of five <i>significant</i> suspensions from the school for any reason; [and] (b) The pupil has not entered into and participated in a plan of behavior pursuant to subsection [-] 6; and (c) The behavior of the pupil was not caused by homelessness, as determined in consultation with the local educational agency liaison for homeless pupils designated in accordance with the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act of 1987, 42 U.S.C. §§ 11301 et seq., or a contact person at a school, including, without limitation, a school counselor or school social worker. 2. A principal of a school shall presume that the behavior of the pupil was caused by homelessness unless the principal determines the behavior was not caused by homelessness pursuant to subsection 1.	

IMPAIRING HEALTH, SAFETY, OR	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
WELFARE OF OTHERS (major, or minor)		
Note:	Violations of any regulation adopted by	
• This event type should be coded	the board of trustees for sanitation in the	
as a MAJOR behavior, unless the	public schools and for the prevention of	
developmental stage of the	the spread of contagious and infectious	
student or a lower severity	diseases pursuant to <u>NRS 392.430</u> .	
incident indicate that it would be		
more appropriately coded as a	NRS 392.430 Sanitation and prevention of	
MINOR event type.	diseases: Authority of board of trustees of school	
	districts and governing bodies of charter schools.	
	<ol> <li>Except as otherwise provided in</li> </ol>	
	subsection 2, the board of trustees of a school	
	district may:	

IMPAIRING HEALTH, SAFETY, OR	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
WELFARE OF OTHERS (major, or minor)		
	<ul> <li>(a) Adopt and enforce regulations that are necessary for sanitation in the public schools and for the prevention of the spread of contagious and infectious diseases therein.</li> <li>(b) Spend money available in the school district to enforce the regulations among indigent children.</li> <li>2. The governing body of a charter school may: <ul> <li>(a) Adopt and enforce rules that are necessary for sanitation in the charter school and for the</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	prevention of contagious and infectious diseases; and	
	(b) Spend money to enforce the rules among	
	indigent children. [403:32:1956] — (NRS A <u>1997, 1875</u> )	

INAPPROPRIATE LANGUAGE (minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Includes:	Violations of the Written Rules of	
Foul language	Behavior adopted by the school district	
Disrespect/swearing	pursuant to <u>NRS 392.463</u> relating to	
Inappropriate behavior/language	spoken language or other	
Profanity	communications.	
<ul> <li>Obscene language and gestures</li> </ul>		
Unacceptable language		
Verbal abuse		
Rule out:		
Other major prohibited behavior		
that more appropriately captures		
the behavior of the student.		

Includes:NRS 200.366Sexual assault:Definition; penalties; exclusions.Rape• Sexual offense1. A person is guilty of sexual assault if he or she: (a) Subjects another person to sexual penetration, or forces another person to make a sexual penetration on himself or herself or another, or on a beast, against the will of the victim or under conditions in which the perpetrator knows or should know that the victim is mentally or physically incapable of resisting orRapeIncludes:NRS 200.366Sexual assault:Definition; Penalties; exclusions.Rape1. A person is guilty of sexual assault if he or she: (a) Subjects another person to sexual penetration, or forces another person to make a sexual penetration on himself or herself or another, or on a beast, against the will of the victim or under conditions in which the perpetrator knows or should know that the victim is mentally or physically incapable of resisting orRapeRefers to forced sexual inter (vaginal, anal, or oral penet includes sodomy and penet students can be victims of r not defined as a physical at Sexual Assault Is an incident that includes
<ul> <li>A person is guilty of sexual assault if he or she:         <ul> <li>(a) Subjects another person to sexual penetration, or forces another person to make a sexual penetration on himself or herself or another, or on a beast, against the will of the victim or under conditions in which the perpetrator knows or should know that the victim is mentally or physically incapable of resisting or</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<ul> <li>understanding the nature of his or her conduct; or (b) Commits a sexual penetration upon a child under the age of 14 years or causes a child under the age of 14 years to make a sexual penetration on himself or herself or another, or on a beast.</li> <li>NRS 62F.100 "Sexual offense" defined. As used in NRS 62F.100 to 62F.150, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires, "sexual offense" means: <ol> <li>Sexual assault pursuant to NRS 200.366;</li> <li>Battery with intent to commit sexual assault pursuant to NRS 200.400;</li> <li>An offense involving pornography and a minor pursuant to NRS 200.710 to 200.730, inclusive;</li> <li>Open or gross lewdness pursuant to NRS 201.210, if punishable as a felony;</li> <li>Indecent or obscene exposure pursuant to NRS 201.220, if punishable as a felony;</li> <li>Lewdness with a child pursuant to NRS 201.230;</li> <li>Sexual penetration of a dead human body pursuant to NRS 201.450;</li> <li>Luring a child or person with mental illness</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

SEXUAL ASSAULT (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	or	
	9. An attempt to commit an offense listed in	
	this section, if punishable as a felony.	
	(Added to NRS by <u>2003, 1077</u> ; A <u>2003, 1380</u> )	
	NRS 62A.320 "Sexually motivated act" defined.	
	"Sexually motivated act" means an unlawful act	
	that is determined to be sexually motivated	
	pursuant to <u>NRS 62F.010</u> .	
	NRS 62F.010 District attorney may request	
	hearing after adjudication of delinquency in	
	certain circumstances to determine whether	
	unlawful act was sexually motivated; evidence;	
	juvenile court to enter finding.	
	1. If a child is adjudicated delinquent for an	
	unlawful act that, if committed by an adult, would	
	have constituted kidnapping in the first or second	
	degree, false imprisonment, burglary or invasion of	
	the home, the juvenile court shall, at the request	
	of the district attorney, conduct a separate hearing	
	to determine whether the act was sexually	
	motivated.	
	2. At the hearing, only evidence concerning	
	the question of whether the unlawful act was	
	sexually motivated may be presented.	
	3. After hearing the evidence, the juvenile	
	court shall determine whether the unlawful act	
	was sexually motivated and shall enter its finding	
	in the record.	
	4. For the purposes of this section, an	
	unlawful act is "sexually motivated" if one of the	
	purposes for which the child committed the	
	unlawful act was the sexual gratification of the	
	child.	
	(Added to NRS by <u>2003, 1077</u> )	

restraint: or

property of another person;

mental health or safety; and

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT/HARASSMENT

Inappropriate touching

Age/development level of the

behaviors may alternatively be

Rules, minor, as appropriate.

the behavior of the student.

captured in Disregard for School

Other major prohibited behavior

that more appropriately captures

student; younger student

Indecent exposure

(major)

Rule out:

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May include:

State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Violations of the Written Rules of Behavior adopted by the school district pursuant to <u>NRS 392.463</u> relating to behavior or harassment that is sexual in nature. Examples may include but are not limited to: unwelcome sexual advances or propositions; using electronic devices or technology to record or transmit nudity or sexual acts; unwanted touching; threatening to harm someone sexually; consensual sexual activity between two (2) or more students; and inappropriate or suggestive sexual behavior involving one or more students.	Harassment Or Bullying On The Basis Of Sex Includes sexual harassment or bullying and gender-based harassment or bullying. Sexual harassment or bullying is unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature, such as unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal, nonverbal, or physical conduct of a sexual nature. Gender-based harassment or bullying is nonsexual intimidation or abusive behavior toward a student based on the student's actual or perceived sex, including harassment based on gender identity, gender expression, and nonconformity with gender stereotypes. Harassing conduct may take many forms, including verbal acts and name-calling, as well as non-verbal behavior, such as graphic and written statements, or conduct that is physically threatening, harmful or humiliating. The conduct
NRS 200.571 Harassment: Definition; penalties.	can be carried out by school employees, other students, and non-employee third parties. Both
<ol> <li>A person is guilty of harassment if:         <ul> <li>(a) Without lawful authority, the person knowingly threatens:</li></ul></li></ol>	male and female students can be victims of harassment or bullying on the basis of sex, and the harasser or bully and the victim can be of the same sex. Bullying on the basis of sex constitutes sexual harassment.

#### Harassment Or Bullying On The Basis Of Sexual Orientation

Refers to intimidation or abusive behavior toward a student based on actual or perceived sexual orientation. Harassing conduct may take many forms, including verbal acts and name-calling, as well as non-verbal behavior, such as graphic and written statements, or conduct that is physically threatening, harmful or humiliating. The conduct can be carried out by school employees, other

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(2) To cause physical damage to the

(3) To subject the person threatened or

(4) To do any act which is intended to

any other person to physical confinement or

substantially harm the person threatened or any

other person with respect to his or her physical or

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT/HARASSMENT (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	<ul> <li>(b) The person by words or conduct places the person receiving the threat in reasonable fear that the threat will be carried out.</li> <li>2. Except where the provisions of subsection 2, 3 or 4 of <u>NRS 200.575</u> are applicable, a person who is guilty of harassment: <ul> <li>(a) For the first offense, is guilty of a misdemeanor.</li> <li>(b) For the second or any subsequent offense, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.</li> <li>3. The penalties provided in this section do not preclude the victim from seeking any other legal remedy available.</li> <li>(Added to NRS by <u>1989, 897</u>; A <u>1993, 510</u>; <u>2001</u>, <u>2785</u>; <u>2019, 1818</u>)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	students, and non-employee third parties. Bullying on the basis of sexual orientation constitutes sexual orientation harassment.

TECHNOLOGY VIOLATION (minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
<ul> <li>Includes:</li> <li>Acceptable use policy</li> <li>Cell phone use violations</li> <li>electronic device violation</li> <li>Inappropriate use of technology violation</li> <li>Internet violation</li> <li>Personal communication device</li> </ul>	Violations of the policy concerning use and possession of electronic devices adopted by the board of trustees pursuant to <u>NRS</u> <u>392.4637</u> . <u>NRS 392.4637</u> Policy concerning use and possession of pagers, cellular telephones and other electronic devices. 1. The board of trustees of each school district shall adopt a policy concerning the use and possession by pupils of a pager, cellular telephone or any other similar electronic device used for communication while on the premises of a public school.	

TECHNOLOGY VIOLATION (minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	2. The policy adopted pursuant to subsection	
	1 must:	
	(a) Prescribe appropriate measures for	
	disciplining a pupil who violates the policy.	
	(b) Be included within each copy of the rules of	
	behavior for pupils that the school district provides	
	to pupils pursuant to NRS 392.463.	
	(Added to NRS by <u>2003, 493</u> )	

THEFT/POSSESSION OF STOLEN	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
PROPERTY (major)		
Includes: • Burglary • Larceny • Robbery • Stealing • theft private property • theft personal property Rule out: • Age/development level of the student; younger student behaviors may alternatively be captured in Disregard for School Rules, minor, as appropriate. • Other major prohibited behavior that more appropriately captures the behavior of the student.	<ul> <li>Stealing or taking the property of another individual, or being in the possession of property that has been stolen, based on statutory definitions for such actions, and which is a violation of the Written Rules of Behavior adopted by the school district pursuant to NRS 392.463; a violation of the rules of the school as outlined in the Parent/Student handbook; or disseminated by the individual school, teacher, or coach.</li> <li>See also: <ul> <li>NRS 205.0832</li> <li>Actions which constitute theft.</li> </ul> </li> <li>NRS 205.060 Residential burglary, burglary of a business, burglary of a motor vehicle and burglary of a structure: Definitions; penalties; venue. [Effective July 1, 2020.]</li> <li>NRS 200.380 Definition; penalty. (Robbery)</li> </ul>	<b>Robbery</b> Is taking or attempting to take anything of value that is owned by another person or organization, under confrontational circumstances by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear. A key difference between robbery and theft/larceny is that robbery involves threat or assault.

THEFT/POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	• NRS 205.220 Grand larceny: Definition. [Effective July 1, 2020.]	

TRESPASSING (minor or major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
<ul> <li>Includes:</li> <li>Presence in unauthorized area</li> <li>Rule out:</li> <li>Age/development level of the student; younger student behaviors may alternatively be captured in Disregard for School Rules, minor, as appropriate.</li> <li>Other major prohibited behavior that more appropriately captures the behavior of the student.</li> </ul>	Trespassing or presence in an unauthorized area by a student and which is a violation of the Written Rules of Behavior adopted by the school district pursuant to <u>NRS 392.463</u> ; a violation of the rules of the school as outlined in the Parent/Student handbook; or disseminated by the individual school, teacher, or coach; and which includes previous or repeated communication to the student that the area is off-limits to students. See also: <u>NRS 207.200</u> Unlawful trespass upon	
	land; warning against trespassing.	

## **BULLYING BEHAVIORS**

BULLYING (minor or major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Includes:	NRS 388.122 "Bullying" defined.	Harassment Or Bullying On The Basis Of
Harassment	1. "Bullying" means written, verbal or	Disability
	electronic expressions or physical acts or gestures,	Refers to intimidation or abusive behavior toward
Hazing	or any combination thereof, that are directed at a	a student based on actual or perceived disability.
<ul> <li>Intimidation</li> </ul>	person or group of persons, or a single severe and	Harassing conduct may take many forms,
<ul> <li>Libel/Slander</li> </ul>	willful act or expression that is directed at a person	including verbal acts and name-calling, as well as
Retaliation	or group of persons, and:	non-verbal behavior, such as graphic and written
Stalking	(a) Have the effect of:	statements, or conduct that is physically
Juning	(1) Physically harming a person or	threatening, harmful, or humiliating. The conduct
	damaging the property of a person; or	can be carried out by school employees, other
Note:	(2) Placing a person in reasonable fear of	students, and non-employee third parties.
<ul> <li>Per subsection 7 of NRS 388.1</li> </ul>	1351, physical harm to the person or damage to the	Bullying on the basis of disability constitutes
if an investigation into a repo	rt of (b) Interfere with the rights of a person by:	disability harassment. Harassment Or Bullying On The Basis Of Race,
discrimination based on race,	(1) Creating an intimidating or hostile	Color, Or National Origin
bullying, or cyberbullying	educational environment for the person; or	Refers to intimidation or abusive behavior toward
determines that no violation	(2) Substantially interfering with the	a student based on actual or perceived race,
	academic performance of a pupil or the ability of	color, or national origin. Harassing conduct may
occurred, then "information	the nerson to participate in or henefit from	take many forms, including verbal acts and name-
concerning the incident must	not services, activities or privileges provided by a	calling, as well as non-verbal behavior, such as
be included in the record of t	he school; or	graphic and written statements, or conduct that is
reported aggressor."	(c) Are acts or conduct described in paragraph	physically threatening, harmful or humiliating.
• However, because of federal	(a) or (b) and are based upon the:	The conduct can be carried out by school
reporting requirements regar	(1) Actual or perceived race, color, national	employees, other students, and non-employee
bullying and cyberbullying, NI	origin ancestry religion gender identity or	third parties. Bullying on the basis of race, color,
	expression, sexual orientation, physical or mental	or national origin constitutes racial harassment.
Infinite Campus Governing Bo	disubility of a person, sex of any other	Harassment Or Bullying On The Basis Of Religion
has determined that informat	tion distinguishing characteristic or background of a	Refers to intimidation or abusive behavior toward
regarding the incident must s	tay person; or	a student based on actual or perceived religion.
in the record of the reported	(2) Association of a person with another	Harassing conduct may take many forms,
aggressor through the end of	the person having one or more of those actual or	including verbal acts and name-calling, as well as
school year in which the repo	perceiveu characteristics.	non-verbal behavior, such as graphic and written
		statements, or conduct that is physically
bullying or cyberbullying was	lirst	threatening, harmful or humiliating. The conduct

BULLYING (minor or major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
made. Once the federal reporting requirements have been met, the information regarding the incident must be removed from the record of the reported aggressor.	<ul> <li>(a) Repeated or pervasive taunting, name- calling, belittling, mocking or use of put-downs or demeaning humor regarding the actual or perceived race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability of a person, sex or any other distinguishing characteristic or background of a person;</li> <li>(b) Behavior that is intended to harm another person by damaging or manipulating his or her relationships with others by conduct that includes, without limitation, spreading false rumors;</li> <li>(c) Repeated or pervasive nonverbal threats or intimidation such as the use of aggressive, menacing or disrespectful gestures;</li> <li>(d) Threats of harm to a person, to his or her possessions or to other persons, whether such threats are transmitted verbally, electronically or in writing;</li> <li>(e) Blackmail, extortion or demands for protection money or involuntary loans or donations;</li> <li>(f) Blocking access to any property or facility of a school;</li> <li>(g) Stalking; and</li> <li>(h) Physically harmful contact with or injury to another person or his or her property.</li> <li>(Added to NRS by 2009, 687; A 2011, 2245; 2013, 1655, 2138; 2015, 411)</li> <li>NRS 200.571 Harassment: Definition; penalties.</li> <li>1. A person is guilty of harassment if:</li> <li>(a) Without lawful authority, the person knowingly threatens:</li> <li>(1) To cause bodily injury in the future to</li> </ul>	can be carried out by school employees, other students, and non-employee third parties. Bullying on the basis of religion constitutes religious harassment.
	the person threatened or to any other person;	

BULLYING (minor or major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	(2) To cause physical damage to the	
	property of another person;	
	(3) To subject the person threatened or	
	any other person to physical confinement or	
	restraint; or	
	(4) To do any act which is intended to	
	substantially harm the person threatened or any	
	other person with respect to his or her physical or	
	mental health or safety; and	
	(b) The person by words or conduct places the	
	person receiving the threat in reasonable fear that	
	the threat will be carried out.	
	NRS 200.605 Penalties; definition.	
	1. A person who engages in hazing is guilty of:	
	(a) A misdemeanor, if no substantial bodily	
	harm results.	
	(b) A gross misdemeanor, if substantial bodily	
	harm results.	
	2. Consent of a victim of hazing is not a valid	
	defense to a prosecution conducted pursuant to	
	this section.	
	3. For the purposes of this section, an activity	
	shall be deemed to be "forced" if initiation into or	
	affiliation with a student organization, academic	
	association or athletic team is directly or indirectly	
	conditioned upon participation in the activity.	
	4. As used in this section, "hazing" means an	
	activity in which a person intentionally or recklessly	
	endangers the physical health of another person	
	for the purpose of initiation into or affiliation with	
	a student organization, academic association or	
	athletic team at a high school, college or university	
	in this state. The term:	
	(a) Includes, without limitation, any physical	
	brutality or brutal treatment, including, without	
	limitation, whipping, beating, branding, forced	

BULLYING (minor or major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	calisthenics, exposure to the elements or forced	
	consumption of food, liquor, drugs or other	
	substances.	
	(b) Does not include any athletic, curricular,	
	extracurricular or quasi-military practice,	
	conditioning or competition that is sponsored or	
	approved by the high school, college or university.	
	(Added to NRS by <u>1999, 1065</u> )	
	NRS 200.575 Stalking: Definitions; penalties;	
	entry of finding in judgment of conviction or	
	admonishment of rights.	
	1. A person who, without lawful authority,	
	willfully or maliciously engages in a course of	
	conduct directed towards a victim that would	
	cause a reasonable person under similar	
	circumstances to feel terrorized, frightened,	
	intimidated, harassed or fearful for his or her	
	immediate safety or the immediate safety of a	
	family or household member, and that actually	
	causes the victim to feel terrorized, frightened,	
	intimidated, harassed or fearful for his or her	
	immediate safety or the immediate safety of a	
	family or household member, commits the crime	
	of stalking.	

CYBERBULLYING (minor or major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Includes the following when the behavior	NRS 388.123 "Cyber-bullying" defined.	
is perpetrated <b>via electronic means</b> :	"Cyber-bullying" means bullying through the use of	
<ul> <li>Harassment</li> <li>Hazing</li> <li>Intimidation</li> <li>Libel/Slander</li> </ul>	electronic communication. The term includes the use of electronic communication to transmit or distribute a sexual image of a minor. As used in this section, "sexual image" has the meaning ascribed to it in <u>NRS 200.737</u> .	
Retaliation	(Added to NRS by <u>2009, 687</u> ; A <u>2011, 1062</u> )	

CYBERBULLYING (minor or major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Stalking	See also additional definitions, above (BULLYING):	
<ul> <li>See definition for "BULLYING" above regarding the removal of information in the record of the reported aggressor if an investigation determines that cyberbullying did not occur.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>NRS 200.571 Harassment: Definition; penalties.</li> <li>NRS 200.605 Penalties; definition. (Hazing)</li> <li>NRS 200.575 Stalking: Definitions; penalties; entry of finding in judgment of conviction or admonishment of rights.</li> </ul>	

DISCRIMINATION BASED ON RACE	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
(minor or major)		
<ul> <li>Note:</li> <li>The passage of AB 371 (2021) added "discrimination based on race" throughout all relevant portions of NRS 388 that previously applied to bullying and</li> </ul>	NRS 388.1235 "Discrimination based on race" defined. "Discrimination based on race" means any single or repeated or pervasive act or acts, whether targeted to a specific person or targeted in general to any demographic identified in subsection	
cyberbullying.	1: 1. Regarding the race, color, culture, religion, language, ethnicity or national	
<ul> <li>See definition for "BULLYING" above regarding the removal of information in the record of the reported aggressor if an investigation determines that discrimination based on race did not occur.</li> </ul>	origin of a person that causes harm or creates a hostile work or learning environment, which may include, without limitation, jokes, threats, physical altercations or intimidation; and 2. That occurs in person, online or in any other setting including, without	

DISCRIMINATION BASED ON RACE	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
(minor or major)		
	limitation, in a course of distance	
	education.	

#### SUBSTANCE USE BEHAVIORS

ALCOHOL – POSSESSION/USE OF (minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
May include:	A violation of the plan to ensure that	
NIAA Substance Abuse Violation	public schools are safe and free of	
(if the violation pertains to	controlled substances as adopted by the	
alcohol)	school district pursuant to NRS 392.463,	
	through the possession or use of an	
	alcoholic beverage.	
	See also:	
	NRS 392.464 Adoption and enforcement by	
	trustees of disciplinary measures for pupil in	
	possession of alcoholic beverage or controlled	
	substance on premises of school.	
	1. The board of trustees of each school	
	district shall adopt and enforce measures for	
	disciplining any pupil who is found in possession of	
	an alcoholic beverage or a controlled substance,	
	while on the premises of any public school in its	
	district.	
	2. As used in this section, "alcoholic	
	beverage" has the meaning ascribed to it in <u>NRS</u>	
	<u>202.015</u> .	
	(Added to NRS by <u>1985, 1649</u> ; A <u>1987,</u>	
	<u>482, 1550, 1576)</u>	

DRUG PARAPHERNALIA – POSSESSION OF (minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
This does <u>NOT</u> include: • Possession of a controlled	A violation of the plan to ensure that public schools are safe and free of	
substance	controlled substances as adopted by the school district pursuant to <u>NRS 392.463</u> ,	

DRUG PARAPHERNALIA – POSSESSION	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
OF (minor)		
Note: • If the student is in possession of controlled substances in addition to drug paraphernalia, code the behavior as "POSSESSION/USE OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE (major)."	through the possession or use of drug paraphernalia.	

POSSESSION/USE OF A CONTROLLED	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
SUBSTANCE (major)		
<ul> <li>Includes:</li> <li>Over the counter medication misuse</li> <li>May include:</li> <li>NIAA Substance Abuse Violation (if the violation pertains to a</li> </ul>	A violation of the plan to ensure that public schools are safe and free of controlled substances as adopted by the school district pursuant to <u>NRS 392.463</u> , through the possession or use of a controlled substance.	<b>Drug offenses</b> The use, possession, sale, or solicitation of drugs as identified in 21 U.S.C. Section 812(c). These offenses do not include the use, possession, sale, or solicitation of alcohol or tobacco.
<ul> <li>(if the violation pertuins to d controlled substance)</li> <li>Rule out:         <ul> <li>ALCOHOL – POSSESSION/USE OF</li> <li>If the violation does not involve a controlled substance, consider coding as TOBACCO VIOLATION.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Note:</li> </ul>	<ul> <li><u>NRS 392.463</u> Adoption of plan to ensure public schools are safe and free of controlled substances; written rules of behavior and punishments; distribution of plan and rules to pupils; availability for inspection.         <ol> <li>Each school district shall adopt a plan to ensure that the public schools within the school district are safe and free of controlled substances. The plan must comply with the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act, 20 U.S.C. §§ 7101 et</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Sale/distribution of a controlled substance is a law enforcement and not a student discipline event</li> </ul>	seq. 2. Each school district shall prescribe written rules of behavior required of and prohibited for pupils attending school within their district and shall prescribe appropriate punishments for	

POSSESSION/USE OF A CONTROLLED	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
SUBSTANCE (major)		
(see section on Behavior event types to be eliminate).	violations of the rules. If suspension or expulsion is used as a punishment for a violation of the rules, the school district shall follow the procedures in <u>NRS 392.467</u> . 3. A copy of the plan adopted pursuant to subsection 1 and the rules of behavior, prescribed punishments and procedures to be followed in imposing punishments prescribed pursuant to subsection 2 must be distributed to each pupil at the beginning of the school year and to each new pupil who enters school during the year. Copies must also be made available for inspection at each school located in that district in an area on the grounds of the school which is open to the public. (Added to NRS by <u>1985, 350</u> ; A <u>2003, 19th</u> <u>Special Session, 80</u> )	
	See also: <u>NRS 392.464</u> Adoption and enforcement by trustees of disciplinary measures for pupil in possession of alcoholic beverage or controlled substance on premises of school. 1. The board of trustees of each school district shall adopt and enforce measures for disciplining any pupil who is found in possession of an alcoholic beverage or a controlled substance, while on the premises of any public school in its district. 2. As used in this section, "alcoholic beverage" has the meaning ascribed to it in <u>NRS</u> <u>202.015</u> . (Added to NRS by <u>1985</u> , <u>1649</u> ; A <u>1987</u> , <u>482</u> , <u>1550</u> , <u>1576</u> )	

TOBACCO VIOLATION (minor)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Includes:	A violation of the plan to ensure that	
• Vaping (must rule out presence of	public schools are safe and free of	
a controlled substance)	controlled substances as adopted by the	
May include:	school district pursuant to NRS 392.463,	
NIAA Substance Abuse Violation	through the possession or use of tobacco	
(if the violation pertains to a	or tobacco related products.	
tobacco product)		

### THREAT BEHAVIORS

THREAT TO SCHOOL (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Includes: Bomb threat Threat of a school shooting	A statement of an intention to inflict pain, injury, death, damage, or other hostile action against a specific school or the occupants of a specific school.	
<ul> <li>Rule out:</li> <li>Age/development level of the student; younger student behaviors may alternatively be captured in Disregard for School Rules, minor, as appropriate.</li> <li>Other major prohibited behavior that more appropriately captures the behavior of the student.</li> </ul>	<b>Bomb threat</b> means willfully conveying by mail, written notes, telephone, texting, internet, radio, or any other means of communication, any bomb threat, knowing it to be false.	
Note: • Consider requesting that a suicide/homicide assessment and/or a threat inquiry assessment be performed in association with this behavior event type.		

THREAT TO STAFF (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Rule out:	NRS 392.915 Threatening to cause bodily harm	Threat
<ul> <li>Age/development level of the student; younger student</li> </ul>	or death to pupil or school employee by means of oral, written or electronic communication;	contact between the offender and victim but the
behaviors may alternatively be	penalties. <ol> <li>A person shall not, through the use of any means of oral, written or electronic</li> </ol>	victim felt that physical harm could have occurred based on verbal or nonverbal communication by the offender. This includes nonverbal threats

THREAT TO STAFF (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
<ul> <li>THREAT TO STAFF (major) <ul> <li>captured in Disregard for School Rules, minor, as appropriate.</li> <li>Other major prohibited behavior that more appropriately captures the behavior of the student.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Note: <ul> <li>Consider requesting that a suicide/homicide assessment and/or a threat inquiry assessment be performed in association with this behavior event type.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	State Definitioncommunication, including, without limitation, through the use of cyber-bullying, knowingly threaten to cause bodily harm or death to a pupil or employee of a school district or charter school with the intent to: (a) Intimidate, harass, frighten, alarm or distress a pupil or employee of a school district or charter school; (b) Cause panic or civil unrest; or (c) Interfere with the operation of a public school, including, without limitation, a charter school.2. Unless a greater penalty is provided by specific statute, a person who violates the provisions of subsection 1 is guilty of: (a) A misdemeanor, unless the provisions of paragraph (b) apply to the circumstances. (b) A gross misdemeanor, if the threat causes: (1) Any pupil or employee of a school district or charter school who is the subject of the threat to be intimidated, harassed, frightened, alarmed or distressed; (2) Panic or civil unrest; or (3) Interference with the operation of a public school, including, without limitation, a charter school.3. As used in this section: (a) "Cyber-bullying" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 388.123. (b) "Oral, written or electronic communication" includes, without limitation, any of the following: (1) A letter, note or any other type of written correspondence.	Federal Definition (as applicable) (e.g., brandishing a weapon), and verbal threats of physical harm which are made in person. Threats made over the telephone or threatening letters are excluded. Threat Of Physical Attack With A Weapon Includes displaying, brandishing, or discharging a weapon, but with no actual physical contact of any person. A threat is made in person. Threats made over the telephone or threatening letters are excluded. A threat of physical attack using words that refer to a weapon would not be considered a threat with a weapon. Threat Of Physical Attack Without A Weapon Refers to a threat without any display, brandishment, or discharge of a weapon, and with no actual physical contact of any person. A threat is made in person. Threats made over the telephone or threatening letters are excluded. A threat of physical attack using words that refer to a weapon would be considered a threat without a weapon.

THREAT TO STAFF (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	(3) A telegraph or wire service, or any other	
	similar means of communication.	
	(4) A telephone, cellular phone, satellite	
	phone, page or facsimile machine, or any other	
	similar means of communication.	
	(5) A radio, television, cable, closed-circuit,	
	wire, wireless, satellite or other audio or video	
	broadcast or transmission, or any other similar	
	means of communication.	
	(6) An audio or video recording or	
	reproduction, or any other similar means of	
	communication.	
	(7) An item of electronic mail, a modem or	
	computer network, or the Internet, or any other	
	similar means of communication.	
	(Added to NRS by 2001 Special Session, 184;	
	A <u>2009, 690</u> )	

THREAT TO STUDENT (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
<ul> <li>Rule out:         <ul> <li>Age/development level of the student; younger student behaviors may alternatively be captured in Disregard for School Rules, minor, as appropriate.</li> <li>Other major prohibited behavior that more appropriately captures the behavior of the student.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Note:         <ul> <li>Consider requesting that a suicide/homicide assessment and/or a threat inquiry assessment be performed in</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	NRS 392.915 Threatening to cause bodily harm or death to pupil or school employee by means of oral, written or electronic communication; penalties. <ol> <li>A person shall not, through the use of any means of oral, written or electronic communication, including, without limitation, through the use of cyber-bullying, knowingly threaten to cause bodily harm or death to a pupil or employee of a school district or charter school with the intent to: <ul> <li>(a) Intimidate, harass, frighten, alarm or distress a pupil or employee of a school district or charter school;</li> <li>(b) Cause panic or civil unrest; or</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	Threat Refers to an act where there was no physical contact between the offender and victim but the victim felt that physical harm could have occurred based on verbal or nonverbal communication by the offender. This includes nonverbal threats (e.g., brandishing a weapon), and verbal threats of physical harm which are made in person. Threats made over the telephone or threatening letters are excluded. Threat Of Physical Attack With A Weapon Includes displaying, brandishing, or discharging a weapon, but with no actual physical contact of any person. A threat is made in person. Threats made over the telephone or threatening letters are excluded. A threat of physical attack using

THREAT TO STUDENT (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
association with this behavior	(c) Interfere with the operation of a public	words that refer to a weapon would not be
event type.	school, including, without limitation, a charter	considered a threat with a weapon.
	school.	Threat Of Physical Attack Without A Weapon
	2. Unless a greater penalty is provided by	Refers to a threat without any display,
	specific statute, a person who violates the	brandishment, or discharge of a weapon, and with
	provisions of subsection 1 is guilty of:	no actual physical contact of any person. A threat
	(a) A misdemeanor, unless the provisions of	is made in person. Threats made over the
	paragraph (b) apply to the circumstances.	telephone or threatening letters are excluded. A
	(b) A gross misdemeanor, if the threat causes:	threat of physical attack using words that refer to
	(1) Any pupil or employee of a school	a weapon would be considered a threat without a
	district or charter school who is the subject of the	weapon.
	threat to be intimidated, harassed, frightened,	
	alarmed or distressed;	
	(2) Panic or civil unrest; or	
	(3) Interference with the operation of a public school, including, without limitation, a	
	charter school.	
	3. As used in this section:	
	(a) "Cyber-bullying" has the meaning ascribed	
	to it in NRS 388.123.	
	(b) "Oral, written or electronic	
	communication" includes, without limitation, any	
	of the following:	
	(1) A letter, note or any other type of	
	written correspondence.	
	(2) An item of mail or a package delivered	
	by any person or postal or delivery service.	
	(3) A telegraph or wire service, or any other	
	similar means of communication.	
	(4) A telephone, cellular phone, satellite	
	phone, page or facsimile machine, or any other	
	similar means of communication.	
	(5) A radio, television, cable, closed-circuit,	
	wire, wireless, satellite or other audio or video	
	broadcast or transmission, or any other similar	
	means of communication.	

THREAT TO STUDENT (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	(6) An audio or video recording or	
	reproduction, or any other similar means of	
	communication.	
	(7) An item of electronic mail, a modem or	
	computer network, or the Internet, or any other	
	similar means of communication.	
	(Added to NRS by 2001 Special Session, 184;	
	A 2009, 690)	

### VIOLENT BEHAVIORS

VIOLENCE/HARM TO STAFF (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Includes: • Assault to staff • Battery to staff Rule out:	NRS 200.481Battery: Definitions; penalties.1. As used in this section: (a) "Battery" means any willful and unlawful use of force or violence upon the person of another.	
<ul> <li>Age/development level of the student; younger student behaviors may alternatively be captured in Disregard for School Rules, minor, as appropriate</li> <li>Other major prohibited behavior that more appropriately captures the behavior of the student.</li> <li>Note:</li> <li>Consider requesting that a suicide/homicide assessment and/or a threat inquiry assessment be performed in association with this behavior event type.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>NRS 392.910 Assaulting pupil or school employee; interference with persons peaceably assembled within school; penalties.</li> <li>1. It is unlawful for any person to assault any pupil or school employee: <ul> <li>(a) Within the building or grounds of the school;</li> <li>(b) On a bus, van or any other motor vehicle owned, leased or chartered by a school district to transport pupils or school employees; or</li> <li>(c) At a location where the pupil or school employee is involved in an activity sponsored by a public school.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Ê Except under circumstances described in paragraph (c) or (d) of subsection 2 of NRS 200.471 with respect to school employees or in NRS 200.571, any person who violates this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor.</li> <li>2. It is unlawful for any person maliciously in any manner to interfere with or disturb any persons peaceably assembled within a building of a public school for school district purposes. Any person who violates this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor.</li> <li>3. For the purposes of this section: <ul> <li>(a) "Assault" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 200.471.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

VIOLENCE/HARM TO STAFF (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	(b) "Maliciously" has the meaning ascribed to	
	it in <u>NRS 193.0175</u> .	
	(c) "School employee" means any licensed or	
	unlicensed person employed by a board of trustees	
	of a school district pursuant to NRS	
	<u>391.100</u> or <u>391.281</u> .	
	[408:32:1956] — (NRS A <u>1967, 566</u> ; <u>1979,</u>	
	<u>1617</u> ; <u>1993, 239</u> ; <u>2001 Special Session, 185</u> ; <u>2003,</u>	
	<u>2; 2015, 428)</u>	
	NRS 200.471 Assault: Definitions; penalties.	
	[Effective January 1, 2020.]	
	1. As used in this section:	
	(a) "Assault" means:	
	(1) Unlawfully attempting to use physical	
	force against another person; or	
	(2) Intentionally placing another person in	
	reasonable apprehension of immediate bodily	
	harm.	

VIOLENCE/HARM TO STUDENTS (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
<ul> <li>Includes:</li> <li>Fighting</li> <li>Hitting</li> <li>Instigation/promotion of fighting or violence</li> <li>Assault to students</li> <li>Battery to students</li> <li>Rule out:</li> <li>Age/development level of the student; younger student behaviors may alternatively be</li> </ul>	NRS 200.481Battery: Definitions; penalties.1. As used in this section:(a) "Battery" means any willful and unlawfuluse of force or violence upon the person ofanother.NRS 392.910Assaulting pupil or schoolemployee; interference with persons peaceablyassembled within school; penalties.1. It is unlawful for any person to assault anypupil or school employee:(a) Within the building or grounds of theschool;	<b>Physical Attack Or Fight</b> Refers to an actual and intentional touching or striking of another person against his/her will, or the intentional causing of bodily harm to an individual. Physical attack or fight does not include rape.

<ul> <li>captured in Disregard for School Rules, minor, as appropriate</li> <li>Other major prohibited behavior that more appropriately captures the behavior of the student.</li> <li>Note:</li> <li>Consider requesting that a suicide/homicide assessment and/or a threat inguiry</li> <li>(b) On a bus, van or any other motor vehicle owned, leased or chartered by a school district to transport pupils or school employees; or</li> <li>(c) At a location where the pupil or school employee is involved in an activity sponsored by a public school.</li> <li>É Except under circumstances described in paragraph (c) or (d) of subsection 2 of NRS 200.471 with respect to school employees or in NRS 200.571, any person who violates this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor.</li> <li>It is unlawful for any person maliciously in</li> </ul>	VIOLENCE/HARM TO STUDENTS (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
<ul> <li>assessment be performed in association with this behavior event type.</li> <li>any manner to interfere with or disturb any persons peaceably assembled within a building of a public school for school district purposes. Any person who violates this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor.</li> <li>3. For the purposes of this section: <ul> <li>(a) "Assault" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 200.471.</li> <li>(b) "Maliciously" has the meaning ascribed to it it in NRS 193.0175.</li> <li>(c) "School employee" means any licensed or unlicensed person employed by a board of trustees of a school district pursuant to NRS 391.100 or 391.281.</li> <li>[408:32:1956] — (NRS A 1967, 566; 1979, 1617; 1993, 239; 2001 Special Session, 185; 2003, 2; 2015, 428)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>captured in Disregard for School Rules, minor, as appropriate</li> <li>Other major prohibited behavior that more appropriately captures the behavior of the student.</li> <li>Note:         <ul> <li>Consider requesting that a suicide/homicide assessment and/or a threat inquiry assessment be performed in association with this behavior</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(b) On a bus, van or any other motor vehicle owned, leased or chartered by a school district to transport pupils or school employees; or <ul> <li>(c) At a location where the pupil or school employee is involved in an activity sponsored by a public school.</li> <li>Ê Except under circumstances described in paragraph (c) or (d) of subsection 2 of NRS 200.471 with respect to school employees or in NRS 200.571, any person who violates this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor.</li> <li>2. It is unlawful for any person maliciously in any manner to interfere with or disturb any persons peaceably assembled within a building of a public school for school district purposes. Any person who violates this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor.</li> <li>3. For the purposes of this section: <ul> <li>(a) "Assault" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 193.0175.</li> <li>(b) "Maliciously" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 193.0175.</li> <li>(c) "School employee" means any licensed or unlicensed person employed by a board of trustees of a school district pursuant to NRS 391.100 or 391.281.</li> <li>[408:32:1956] — (NRS A 1967, 566; 1979, 1617; 1993, 239; 2001 Special Session, 185; 2003,</li> </ul> </li> </ul></li></ul>	

# WEAPONS INVOLVED BEHAVIORS

POSSESSION/USE OF A WEAPON (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Includes:	A pupil who is found in possession of a	Firearm Or Explosive Device
<ul> <li>Air/pellet/paint gun</li> </ul>	firearm or a dangerous weapon while on	Refers to any weapon that is designed to (or may
Combustibles	the premises of any public school, at an	readily be converted to) expel a projectile by the action of an explosive. This includes guns, bombs,
Explosive device	activity sponsored by a public school or	grenades, mines, rockets, missiles, pipe bombs, or
• Firearm	on any school bus, where dangerous	similar devices designed to explode and capable of
Fireworks	weapon and firearm are defined as (see	causing bodily harm or property damage.
Incendiary device/bomb	<u>NRS 392.466</u> ):	Threat Of Physical Attack With A Weapon
Knives	(b) "Dangerous weapon" includes,	Includes displaying, brandishing, or discharging a weapon, but with no actual physical contact of any
	without limitation, a blackjack, slungshot,	person. A threat is made in person. Threats made
See also:	billy, sand-club, sandbag, metal knuckles,	over the telephone or threatening letters are
NRS 392.4634 – Prohibition	dirk or dagger, a nunchaku or trefoil, as	excluded. A threat of physical attack using words
against disciplining certain pupils	defined in <u>NRS 202.350</u> , a butterfly knife	that refer to a weapon would not be considered a threat with a weapon.
for simulating firearm or	or any other knife described in <u>NRS</u>	Weapon
dangerous weapon or wearing	202.350, a switchblade knife as defined in	Is any instrument or object used with the intent to
clothing or accessories that depict	NRS 202.265, or any other object which is	threaten, injure, or kill. This includes look-alikes if
firearm or dangerous weapon;	used, or threatened to be used, in such a	they are used to threaten others. Dangerous weapon
exceptions; prohibition against	manner and under such circumstances as	A weapon, device, instrument, material, or
adoption of conflicting policy,	to pose a threat of, or cause, bodily injury	substance, animate or inanimate, that is used for,
ordinance or regulation.	to a person. (see <u>NRS 392.466</u> )	or is readily capable of causing death or serious
	(c) "Firearm" includes, without limitation,	bodily injury; such a term does not include a pocket knife with a blade of less than 2 ½ inches in length.
Rule out:	any pistol, revolver, shotgun, explosive	(18 USC section 930(g)(2))
<ul> <li>Age/development level of the</li> </ul>	substance or device, and any other item	Firearm
student; younger student	included within the definition of a	A firearm is defined in Title 18 USC §921,
behaviors may alternatively be	"firearm" in 18 U.S.C. § 921, as that	Definitions as follows: A. any weapon (including a starter gun) which will
captured in Disregard for School	section existed on July 1, 1995. (see <u>NRS</u>	or is designed to or may readily be converted to
Rules, minor, as appropriate	<u>392.466</u> )	expel a projectile by the action of an explosive;
		B. the frame or receiver of any such weapon;
		C. any firearm muffler or firearm silencer; or

POSSESSION/USE OF A WEAPON (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
Other major prohibited behavior		D. any destructive device. Such term does not
that more appropriately captures		include an antique firearm.
the behavior of the student.		Shotgun
		For this file specification, shotgun is either a shotgun or a "short-barreled shotgun."
Note:		A. The term "shotgun" means a weapon designed
<ul> <li>Consider requesting that a</li> </ul>		or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to
suicide/homicide assessment		be fired from the shoulder and designed or
and/or a threat inquiry		redesigned and made or remade to use the energy
assessment be performed in		of an explosive to fire through a smooth bore
association with this behavior		either a number of ball shot or a single projectile
		for each single pull of the trigger.
event type.		B. The term "short-barreled shotgun" means a
		shotgun having one or more barrels less than
		eighteen inches in length and any weapon made
		from a shotgun (whether by alteration, modification or otherwise) if such a weapon as
		modified has an overall length of less than twenty-
		six inches.
		Rifle
		For this file specification, rifle is either a rifle or a
		"short-barreled rifle."
		A. The term "rifle" means a weapon designed or
		redesigned, made or remade, and intended to be
		fired from the shoulder and designed or
		redesigned and made or remade to use the energy
		of an explosive to fire only a single projectile
		through a rifled bore for each single pull of the
		trigger.
		B. The term "short-barreled rifle" means a rifle
		having one or more barrels less than sixteen inches
		in length and any weapon made from a rifle
		(whether by alteration, modification, or otherwise)
		if such weapon, as modified, has an overall length
		of less than twenty-six inches.
		Destructive device

POSSESSION/USE OF A WEAPON (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
		The term "destructive device" used in part (D) of
		the definition of "firearm" means
		A. any explosive, incendiary, or poison gas—
		i. bomb,
		ii. grenade,
		iii. rocket having a propellant charge of more than four ounces,
		iv. missile having an explosive or incendiary charge
		of more than one-quarter ounce,
		v. mine, or
		vi. device similar to any of the devices described in the preceding clauses;
		B. any type of weapon (other than a shotgun or a
		shotgun shell which the Attorney General finds is
		generally recognized as particularly suitable for
		sporting purposes) by whatever name known
		which will, or which may be readily converted to,
		expel a projectile by the action of an explosive or
		other propellant, and which has any barrel with a
		bore of more than one-half inch in diameter; and
		C. any combination of parts either designed or
		intended for use in converting any device into any
		destructive device described in subparagraph (A)
		or (B) and from which a destructive device may be
		readily assembled. The term "destructive device"
		shall not include any device which is neither
		designed nor redesigned for use as a weapon; any
		device, although originally designed for use as a
		weapon, which is redesigned for use as a signaling,
		pyrotechnic, line throwing, safety, or similar
		device; surplus ordnance sold, loaned, or given by
		the Secretary of the Army pursuant to the
		provisions of section 4684 (2), 4685, or 4686 of title
		10; or any other device which the Attorney General
		finds is not likely to be used as a weapon, is an
		antique, or is a rifle which the owner intends to use

POSSESSION/USE OF A WEAPON (major)	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
		solely for sporting, recreational or cultural
		purposes.

### BEHAVIOR EVENT TYPES TO BE ELIMINATED

The following event types have been eliminated from the available options for student discipline offenses and should no longer be used as stand-alone discipline offenses:

ELIMINATED OFFENSE	NOTES:	
Absent	This information should be recorded in the Attendance tab of the student information system.	
Aggressive behavior	This should be coded based on the actual behavior of the student, e.g. Violations of School Rules,	
	Disruption of Class/School Activities, Inappropriate Language, Threat to Staff/Student, etc	
Assault	This has been added to Violence/Harm to Staff and Violence/Harm to Students.	
Battery	This has been added to Violence/Harm to Staff and Violence/Harm to Students.	
Defiance	This term is subjective and does not support accurate collection of data; coding of discipline offenses	
	must be based on the actual behavior of the student and not the perception of the educator or	
	administrator. See Disregard for School Rules, Insubordination, Disruption of Class/School Activities or	
	other offense types that more accurately capture the specific behavior for which the student is	
	receiving a disciplinary sanction.	
Disrespect	This term is subjective and does not support accurate collection of data; coding of discipline offenses	
	must be based on the actual behavior of the student and not the perception of the educator or	
	administrator. See Disregard for School Rules, Insubordination, Disruption of Class/School Activities or	
	other offense types that more accurately capture the specific behavior for which the student is	
	receiving a disciplinary sanction.	
English in the Classroom	This is not an appropriate event for student discipline sanctions.	
Immoral Conduct	This is not an appropriate event for student discipline sanctions.	
Information Only	This information should be recorded in the Notes section of the student information system.	
Leftover student	This information should be recorded in the Notes section of the student information system.	
Retaliation	This has been added to the Bullying/Cyberbullying offenses.	
Sale/Distribution of a	This is a law enforcement event and not a student discipline event.	
Controlled Substance		
Stalking	This has been added to the Bullying/Cyberbullying offenses.	

ELIMINATED OFFENSE	NOTES:
Traffic Violation	This is a law enforcement event and not a student discipline event.
Verbal Confrontation	This should be coded based on the actual behavior of the student and the intent of the words which
	were spoken, e.g., Inappropriate Language, Threat to Staff/Student, etc.

## SANCTIONS

SUSPENSION	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
<ul> <li>AB 67 (2021) added new language to NRS 392 to define suspend or suspension.</li> <li>Note: <ul> <li>Upon approval of proposed draft regulation <u>R020-22</u>, suspension will be defined as "the disciplinary removal of a pupil from the school in which the pupil is currently enrolled for more than 2 school days and not more than one school semester."</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<u>NRS 392.4607</u> "Suspend" or "suspension" defined. "Suspend" or "suspension" means the disciplinary removal of a pupil from the school in which the pupil is currently enrolled for not more than one school semester.	Out-Of-School Suspension For students with disabilities served under IDEA: Out-of-school suspension is an instance in which a child is temporarily removed from his/her regular school for at least half a day for disciplinary purposes to another setting (e.g., home, behavior center). Out-of-school suspensions include both removals in which no individualized family service plan (IFSP) or individualized education plan (IEP) services are provided because the removal is 10 days or less as well as removals in which the child continues to receive services according to his/her IFSP or IEP. For students without disabilities and students with disabilities served solely under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act: Out-of-school suspension is an instance in which a child is temporarily removed from his/her regular school for at least half a day (but less than the remainder of the school year) for disciplinary purposes to another setting (e.g., home, behavior center). Out-of- school suspensions include removals in which no educational services are provided, and removals in which educational services are provided (e.g., school-provided at home instruction or tutoring).

SIGNIFICANT SUSPENSION	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
AB 67 (2021) added new language to NRS	Section 22 of AB 67 (2021) amended NRS	
392.4655 for the purposes of deeming a	<u>392.4655</u> to define significant suspension	
student a habitual disciplinary problem	for the purposes of deeming a student as	
(see definition of Habitual Disciplinary	a habitual disciplinary problem as:	
Problem, above).		

SIGNIFICANT SUSPENSION	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	10. As used in this section, "significant	
	suspension" means the school in which	
	the pupil is enrolled:	
	(a) Prohibits the pupil from attending	
	school for 3 or more consecutive days;	
	and	
	(b) Requires a conference or some	
	other form of communication with the	
	parent or legal guardian of the pupil	
	before the pupil is allowed to return to	
	school.	

EXPULSION	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
AB 67 (2021) added new language to NRS 392 to define expel or expulsion.	NRS 392.4603 "Expel" or "expulsion" defined. "Expel" or "expulsion" means the disciplinary removal of a pupil from the school in which the pupil is currently enrolled for more than one school semester with the possibility of: 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, returning to the school in which the pupil is currently enrolled or another public school within the school district after the expulsion; and 2. Enrolling in a program or public school for alternative education for pupils who are expelled or permanently expelled during the period of expulsion.	<b>Expulsion Under Zero Tolerance Policies</b> Refers to an action taken by the local educational agency of removing a child from his/her regular school for the remainder of the school year or longer because of zero-tolerance policies. A zero tolerance policy is a policy that results in mandatory expulsion of any student who commits one or more specified offenses (e.g., offenses involving guns, or other weapons, or violence, or similar factors, or combinations of these factors). A policy is considered "zero tolerance" even if there are some exceptions to the mandatory aspect of the expulsion, such as allowing the chief administering officer of a local educational agency to modify the expulsion on a case-by-case basis. <b>Expulsion With Educational Services</b> Refers to an action taken by the local educational agency of removing a child from his/her regular school for disciplinary purposes, and providing educational services to the child (e.g., school-provided at home instruction or tutoring; transfer

EXPULSION	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
		to an alternative school) for the remainder of the
		school year (or longer) in accordance with local
		educational agency policy. Expulsion with
		educational services also includes removals
		resulting from violations of the Gun Free Schools
		Act that are modified to less than 365 days.
		Transfer To An Alternative School For
		Disciplinary Reasons
		Is a subset of expulsion with educational services.
		Expulsion Without Educational Services
		Refers to an action taken by the local educational
		agency of removing a child from his/her regular
		school for disciplinary purposes, and not providing
		educational services to the child for the
		remainder of the school year or longer in
		accordance with local educational agency policy.
		Expulsion without services also includes removals
		resulting from violations of the Gun Free Schools
		Act that are modified to less than 365 days.

PERMANENTLY EXPELLED	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
AB 67 (2021) added new language to NRS	NRS 392.466 (effective July 1, 2022):	
392.466 to define permanent expulsion.	(f) "Permanently expelled" means the	
	disciplinary removal of a pupil from the	
Note:	school in which the pupil is currently	
• Students who are 10 years old or	enrolled:	
younger can only be permanently	(1) Except as otherwise provided in	
expelled for possession of a	subparagraph (2), without the possibility	
dangerous weapon (subsection 3	of returning to the school in which the	
of <u>NRS 392.466</u> ) and only if the	pupil is currently enrolled or another	
board of trustees grants an	public school within the school district;	
exception to the prohibition on	and	
permanently expelling a student	(2) With the possibility of enrolling	
	in a program or public school for	

PERMANENTLY EXPELLED	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
who is 10 years old or younger	alternative education for pupils who are	
(see subsection 9 of <u>NRS 392.466</u> ,	expelled or permanently expelled after	
effective July 1, 2022).	being permanently expelled.	
	NRS 392.467 Suspension or expulsion	
	of pupil: Procedure; limitations.	
	1. Except as otherwise provided in	
	subsections 5 and 6 and NRS 392.466, the	
	board of trustees of a school district or its	
	<i>designee</i> may authorize the suspension or	
	expulsion of any pupil who is at least 11	
	years of age from any public school within	
	the school district. Except as otherwise	
	provided in <i>this subsection and</i>	
	subsection 3 of NRS 392.466, a pupil who	
	is <b>[not more]</b> less than [10] 11 years of age	
	must not be permanently expelled from	
	school. In extraordinary circumstances, a	
	school may request an exception to the	
	prohibition set forth in this subsection	
	against permanently expelling a pupil	
	who is less than 11 years of age from	
	school from the board of trustees of the	
	school district.	

PLAN OF ACTION BASED ON	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
RESTORATIVE JUSTICE		
SB 354 (2021) added the requirement for	NRS 392.472 Requirement to provide	
plan of action based on restorative justice	plan of action before expelling pupil;	
prior to ANY removal of a student from a		

PLAN OF ACTION BASED ON RESTORATIVE JUSTICE	State Definition	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	State Definitionexample plans of action; approval of plans of action; guidance document; regulations.1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 392.466 and to the extent 	Federal Definition (as applicable)
	the school or his or her designee and any other appropriate personnel.	