

SOUTHERN FULTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: CARE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY

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224. CARE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY	
1. Purpose	The Board believes that the schools should help students learn to respect property and develop feelings of pride in community institutions.
2. Authority	The Board charges each student in the district's schools with responsibility for the proper care of the school property, school supplies and equipment entrusted to the student's use.
SC 777 Pol. 218, 233	It is the policy of the Board that students who willfully cause damage to school property shall be subject to disciplinary measures. Students and others who damage or deface school property may be prosecuted and punished under law. Parents/Guardians shall be held accountable for the actions of their child.
SC 1338	The Board may report to appropriate juvenile authorities any student whose damage of school property is serious or chronic in nature. In no case shall referral to juvenile authorities be made without prior notification to the student's parent/guardian.
	The district needs a way to protect itself from students that do not pay the financial obligations they have accumulated; students report cards, etc., will not be held as a method of forcing students to meet their financial obligations.
	The administration may refuse to send the school records of any student who moves out-of-state and has not met his/her financial obligations.
3. Delegation of Responsibility SC 109, 801	The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures to implement this policy which include rules for safekeeping and accounting of textbooks, supplies and equipment and an established schedule of fines for lost or damaged textbooks, supplies and equipment.
	The Superintendent shall submit a report on incidences of vandalism to the Board on each occurrence.
	Vandalism reports shall include the number and kind of incident, cost to the district, and related information the Superintendent deems necessary.

The building principal will determine whether the wear and tear to the textbook was normal or shows signs of excess wear or abuse. If a textbook has been misused and can be repaired, the principal will collect the costs for the repair and shipping costs from the students.

References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 109, 777, 801, 1338

Board Policy – 218, 233