

APPROVAL OF HANDBOOKS AND DIRECTIVES

Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 71, Section 37H directs that, “in each school building containing the grades nine to twelve, inclusive, the Principal, in consultation with the School Council, shall prepare and distribute to each student a handbook setting forth the rules pertaining to conduct of students. The School Council shall review the handbook each spring to consider changes in the disciplinary policy to take effect in September...”

It is essential that the contents of all handbooks conform to School Committee policies. It is also important that all handbooks bearing the name of the Hull Public Schools or one of its schools be of a quality that reflects credit on the school department. Therefore, the Committee expects handbooks requiring approval to be approved prior to publication by the Committee and/or the Superintendent.

Committee approval will be necessary for all handbooks that pertain to required standards of conduct for employees or students so that their contents may be accorded the status of Committee approved policy or regulation. The Superintendent will use his/her judgment as to whether other specific handbooks need Committee approval; however, all handbooks published will be made available to the Committee for informational purposes.

LEGAL REFS: M.G.L. 71:37H

Adopted: 6/2004

First reading 2011 revision: February 8, 2011

Second reading: March 3, 2011

Adoption: March 21, 2011

Proposed reconsideration: March, 2016

Hull Public Schools