### **Associated School Boards of South Dakota**

## **NEPN Code: ECAB**

# **Policy Reference Manual**

### **VANDALISM**

Buildings and material contents constitute one of the greatest investments of the school district. It is in the best interest of pupils and the taxpayers to protect that investment adequately.

Every citizen, every student, every staff member, and members of the police department are urged by the Board to cooperate in reporting any incidents of vandalism to school property and the name(s) of the person or persons believed to be responsible. Each employee will report to the building administrator every incident of vandalism known to him and, if known, the names of those responsible.

The Superintendent is authorized to sign a criminal complaint and to press charges and may delegate authority to sign such complaints and to press charges.

Any student found guilty of any form of vandalism or defacement of school property will be disciplined in conformance with school district policy.

Parents and students will be made aware of the legal implications involved. Reimbursements will be sought for all or part of any damages.

#### Legal References:

SDCL 25-5-15 (Parental liability for willful acts of child)

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