

PURPOSE: To change indecent exposure from a Level II (Exception) to a Level III (Exception)

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL FOR MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE SENATE:

SECTION ONE (REASONING):

Indecent exposure should be classified as a Level III offense rather than a Level II offense because it creates an unsafe and uncomfortable environment for students, which can have emotional and mental effects on those involved. The behavior is more serious than many current Level II violations and relates with other Level III offenses involving harassment, inappropriate conduct, and threats to student wellbeing. Reclassifying indecent exposure as a Level III offense would reinforce the importance of maintaining a respectful and safe campus environment while ensuring consequences are level with the seriousness of the action.

SECTION THREE (SPECIFIC CHANGE):

On page 140 of the Student Handbook (PDF page 145), under the section “DISCIPLINE AND SCHOOL SAFETY,” the following would be changed to:

LEVEL TWO (EXCEPTIONS) -- Level II Exception violations will be carried over and accumulated for the entire year. No Level II violations will be carried over to the following school year.

OFFENSE	CONSEQUENCE
<u>14. INDECENT EXPOSURE</u>	<u>Referral to administration</u>

On page 142 of the Student Handbook (PDF page 147), under the section “DISCIPLINE AND SCHOOL SAFETY,” the following would be changed to:

LEVEL THREE (GENERAL)

- All Level III violations will be referred to administration for action.
- All Level III violations will, at minimum, result in probation
- Level III violations may result in a recommendation to the Executive Director for dismissal
- Level III violations will be carried over to the next semester and to the following year.
- A student guilty of felonious conduct shall, in all cases, be recommended for expulsion.

OFFENSE	CONSEQUENCE
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1. HARASSMENT* 2. Bullying* 3. Involvement in ARSON, including irresponsible use of matches and lighters 4. Tampering with safety equipment or ALARM SYSTEMS; setting off fire alarms; creating a fire or safety hazard; or major acts of VANDALISM 5. Possession, distribution, or use of WEAPONS, FIREWORKS, or EXPLOSIVES 6. Unauthorized possession, distribution, or irresponsible use of, prescription or nonprescription DRUGS 7. Involvement in STEALING or extortion (on or off campus) 8. ASSAULT on another person 9. Inflicting or threatening BODILY HARM to others* 10. Inciting or participating in a MAJOR DISTURBANCE* in which another person is assaulted or damage to property occurs 11. FALSIFYING A SIGN OUT by misrepresenting an off- campus destination (overnight), or for the purpose of going to a prohibited destination 12. Presence in a MOTEL ROOM without a parent or other authorized adult 13. GAMBLING* 14. SEXUAL HARASSMENT*	FIRST OFFENSE: • Restriction, suspension, recommendation for dismissal or expulsion SECOND OFFENSE: • Suspension or recommendation for dismissal or expulsion THIRD OFFENSE: • Recommendation for dismissal or expulsion A student guilty of felonious conduct shall, in all cases, be recommended for expulsion.
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15. SEXUAL OR INTIMATE CONTACT 16. MISCONDUCT during school sponsored activities 17. IMPROPER ACTION toward another person causing physical or emotional harm 18. VIOLATION OF LAW* - municipal, state, or federal 19. UNAUTHORIZED POSSESSION of school property (keys, equipment, furnishings, etc.) 20. Late for CURFEW more than 1 hour 21. Any action which constitutes a THREAT to the safety of self, or others 22. <u>INDECENT EXPOSURE</u>	
<u>22.23.</u> REFERRALS of any Level I and Level II violation to administration	

SECTION FOUR (APPENDIX):

“I believe that indecent exposure should be a level three because it is a form of sexual harassment, and sexual harassment is also a level three.” - Kami Patrick