

**TALBOT COUNTY  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
EASTON, MD 21601**

**POLICY CODE  
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### **CORPORAL PUNISHMENT**

The Talbot County Board of Education advocates a school environment wherein the faculty and students enjoy strong, positive, supportive relationships built on mutual respect, human warmth, and caring. In response to these feelings, the Board believes it is inappropriate for teachers, principals, or other school personnel to use corporal punishment as a means to correct misbehavior. Furthermore, the Board believes it is counterproductive for school personnel to unduly or deliberately cause mental or physical pain or discomfort for students through the use of cruel or unusual means outside the reasonable pursuit of learning objectives. Such behavior shall not be tolerated.

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