

# POLICY

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## Board of Education Bernards Township

## File Code: M5500 EXPECTATIONS FOR PUPIL CONDUCT

The Bernards Township Board of Education believes that pupils should commit themselves to learning and to the development of their potential. Pupils should know that their attitudes and acts affect both their own and their classmates' learning and should accept responsibility for helping to create a positive school environment. All pupils can contribute to the effectiveness of the schools and the value of their education.

The Board expects all pupils in this school District, commensurate with their age and ability, to:

1. Prepare themselves mentally and physically for the process of learning;
2. Respect the person, property, and intellectual and creative products of others;
3. Take responsibility for their own behavior and learning;
4. Use time and other resources responsibly;
5. Share responsibilities when working with others;
6. Meet the requirements of each course of study;
7. Monitor their own progress toward school objectives; and
8. Communicate with parents and appropriate school staff members about school matters.

The Superintendent shall, in consultation with appropriate staff members, parents, consultants, and pupils, develop a statement of specific pupil behaviors that exemplify these expectations and shall make available to all pupils, parents, and professional staff members copies of the statement of behaviors and this policy.

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