

## Student Discipline Errors

In a recent review of discipline administered to students thus far this school year, we have noticed some errors in response to student behavior violations. As you know, last year we incorporated the [Student Discipline Matrix](#) to comply with changes in our state's student discipline laws. The Student Discipline Matrix lists behavior violations and severity levels and a range of potential responses that can be given based on conditions, limitations, and interventions. Common Type 1 and Type 2 behavior violations are being used that do not allow for classroom exclusion, in-school suspension, short-term suspension, long-term suspension or expulsion.

Below are some commonly used violations that received disciplinary actions in error. Please note that these offenses may not be given classroom exclusion, in-school suspension, short-term suspension, long-term suspension, or expulsion.

- **Disruptive conduct – I**
  - Disruptive behavior
  - Disruption using personal electronic devices (PEDs)
- **Physical contact**
  - Dangerous behavior
- **Defiance**
  - Trespass
  - Bus stop/bus referrals
- **Property misuse**
  - Wrong use of district technology
- **Other – I**
  - Failure to follow tech rules
  - Inappropriate use of PEDs
  - Truant
  - Multiple minor accumulated incidents

Other commonly used violations in error include:

- **Tobacco possession or use**
  - Tobacco product or tobacco like products (No ST/LT)
- **Disrespect**
  - Abusive/disrespect (No ST/LT)
- **Failure to cooperate**
  - Non-compliant behavior (No ISS/ST/LT)
  - Failure to report (No ISS/ST/LT)
  - Refusal to identify self (No ISS/ST/LT)
  - Failure to comply with school rules (No ISS/ST/LT)
  - Defiant/insubordination (No ISS/ST/LT)

### **Required Action**

Please take a minute to review the [Student Discipline Matrix](#) so we can correct these errors going forward. Please contact your regional superintendent with any questions.