

VANDALISM

POLICY

It is the duty of all those within the Valley Stream Union Free School District Twenty-Four to prevent vandalism.

Vandalism not only depletes a school system's limited financial resources, it also adversely affects the morale of students and staff.

The following guidelines are established:

1. All staff and students shall be instructed to report to the Superintendent or Principal any incidents of vandalism or theft of school property including the name(s) of those responsible.
2. Each Principal shall submit a full and detailed report to the Superintendent regarding any acts of vandalism, damage to or theft of school property including school buildings, furniture, equipment or other property.
3. The Superintendent should then report such incidents to the Board and the school attorney.

Parents/guardians who are responsible for the control and discipline of minors may be answerable for any damages caused by the malicious, willful or wanton acts of their charges. It is within the Board's discretion to institute legal proceedings against a vandal and/or his/her parent or legal guardian for any and all repair costs. The Board may offer rewards for information leading to the arrest and conviction of vandals or thieves of District property.

Ref: Family Court Act S.757, 758.a

General Obligations Law S.3-112

Education Law SS.1604(35), (38); 1709(36, (38), 2509-g(15)

General Municipal Law SS.789

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