

CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

The Board permits the use of reasonable corporal punishment only after a teacher or administrator uses other methods in an attempt to correct behavior. These methods must include, at least, a conference with a student about his behavior and a conference with the student's parent or guardian. In the conference with the parent or guardian, the teacher or administrator must notify the parent or guardian that continued misbehavior by the student may result in the use of corporal punishment. Should corporal punishment be needed, it must be administered according to the following:

- 1. The student has been notified of the offense for which he is to receive corporal punishment and the student has been given an opportunity to explain his actions.**
- 2. The punishment is administered by the school principal or his designee with the knowledge and consent of the principal and witnessed by a certified school employee.**
- 3. The punishment is administered out of view of any other students.**
- 4. A written record of the punishment shall be made in which the offense resulting in the punishment is listed along with the number of licks administered. The name of the teacher requesting the punishment, the name of the person administering the punishment, and the name of all witnesses shall be included in the record. The principal of each school shall maintain a copy of the record and a copy shall be mailed to the parents or guardian.**

ADOPTED:

LEGAL REF: Code of Alabama, 1975, §16-28A-1, et seq.