

Knowing Your Rights and Exercising Responsibilities

All ACPS students have legal rights and individual liberties under the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Commonwealth of Virginia. ACPS School Board policies and regulations support these rights. Students may exercise these rights as long as they do not interfere with the rights of others, or the school's ability to provide a safe learning environment and educational opportunities. With these rights come inherent responsibilities as a student. While this list is not exhaustive, it highlights many of the rights that are applicable within the educational/school setting.

For the Student Code of Conduct, educational/school setting or range includes when in school or on school property, on a school vehicle, while participating in or attending any school sponsored activity or trip; on the way to and from school; and off school property when the behavior or act results in being charged with a crime (see Va. Code - 16.1-305.1.)

School Board Policies noted below may not represent all applicable policies. Additionally, abuse of rights may be subject to intervention and/or disciplinary consequences outlined in the Student Code of Conduct.