CATASAUQUA AREA
SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: Trespassing on School Grounds/Property

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Purpose
To provide a safe school environment.

Authority
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Title
A. Denial of access to school grounds/property. Any school administrator or person designated in writing by the Board may deny access to the buildings or grounds of the school district to any person who:

1. Is not a bona fide, currently registered student, or staff or faculty member at the institution, and who does not have lawful business to pursue at the institution; or

2. Is a bona fide, currently registered student at the institution and has been suspended or expelled from the institution, for the duration of the suspension or expulsion; or

3. Acts in a manner that disrupts or disturbs the normal educational functions of the institution.

4. Has not attained proper authorization to be on school property.

B. Staff may request identification. - Administrative personnel and district employees of the Catasauqua Area School District may request identification and evidence of qualification from any person who desires to use or enter the property of the school district. Individual without proper identification shall be reported to the building administration.

C. Agreement with law enforcement agencies. - The school Board may enter into an agreement with appropriate law enforcement agencies to carry out the responsibilities of this policy.
D. Penalty. – a complaint or citation may be submitted to the appropriate law enforcement agency if: A person

1. Trespasses on school district property;
2. Fails or refuses to leave the property of the school district after being requested to do so by an authorized employee of the school district or law enforcement official;
3. Damages or defaces any school district property. Restitution for damages will be sought.

E. Public Hours

1. Hours the public is allowed on school property.

   a. The public is allowed on school property:

   1) During normal business hours as published by the district, as long as the individual(s) has lawful business to pursue and has obtained authorization
   2) For the purpose of and while attending extracurricular athletic or special events approved by the Board or building principals
   3) From the start of normal business hours until darkness excluding the times as stated in (1) and (2) above.