

VANDALISM

The School Committees recognize that acts of vandalism committed against public and private property are costly and require positive action through educational programs. Consequently, the Committees will support various programs aimed at reducing the amount of vandalism. Acts of vandalism will be corrected in a timely fashion in concert with criminal investigations.

Every citizen of the towns, staff members, students, and members of the police departments are urged by the School Committees to cooperate in reporting any incidents of vandalism to property under control of the school department, and the name(s) of the person or persons believed to be responsible. Each employee will report to the Principal of the school every incident of vandalism known to him/her and, if known, the names of those responsible.

The Superintendent is authorized to sign a criminal complaint and to press the charges against perpetrators of vandalism against school property, and is further authorized to delegate, as he/she sees fit, authority to sign such complaints and to press charges.

Parents and students will be made aware of the legal implications involved. Reimbursement will be sought for all or part of any damages.