

VANDALISM

The Franklin School Committee recognizes that acts of vandalism committed against public and private property are costly and require positive action through educational programs. The Committee will support various programs aimed at reducing the amount of vandalism.

Every citizen of the town, school employees, students, and members of the police department are urged by the School Committee to cooperate in reporting any incidents of vandalism to school property to the school department, and the name(s) of the person or persons believed to be responsible.

The Superintendent is authorized to sign a criminal complaint and to press charges against the 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 damages.

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