SENNETT MIDDLE SCHOOL HARASSMENT PROCESS & RESPONSIBILITIES

Steps	Responsible Party
Student or parent reports an incident of harassment (verbally or per the self-report form).	Student & Staff
Adult/Staff either: 1) Refer the matter to Support Staff. 2) Contact the Principal directly for very serious allegations, e.g. sexual harassment. 3) Complete a misconduct and give to the Principal.	Staff
Support Staff Person takes into account the situation, victim's input about resolution. If harassment is indicated, a misconduct will be written and submitted to the Principal. If it is a conflict they will facilitate a resolution and communicate with appropriate teachers	Support Staff
Principal acts on misconduct by investigating (check shared file first to see if repeat offense), deciding whether or not police need to be involved and determining consequences.	Principal
 Guidelines for consequences follow: 1st time: misconduct, loss of points, meeting with Support Staff, possible contract with other student & parent contact 2nd time: misconduct, loss of points, in- school suspension, referral to support staff for multieducational session and meeting with HR/CC teacher and parent. Contract developed. 3rd time: misconduct, loss of points, 1-3 day suspension, amend written contract, 2nd parent meeting, encourage community counseling, consider school group intervention. 	
Other Possible consequences: use of after school detention & a video to have students view, restriction of passing time, written work from student on effects of harassment, shortened schedule, referral to alternative programs.	

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For Students scheduled to see a Support Staff Person:	Support Staff
 Support Staff Person educates the student about non- 	
harassment rules, future consequences for harassment	
and appropriate conflict resolution strategies. Student	
signs anti-harassment form.	
Support Staff Person talks to the victim about resolution	
and schedules an adult mediation or develops a contract.	
• Support Staff Person informs homeroom	
teacher/house/encore teachers about situation if	
appropriate and contacts parents of both students.	
Support Staff Person logs interaction in SST Shared File	
for tracking purposes.	
Data on harassment will be reviewed at each SST meeting to	Support Staff,
discuss need for further interventions and to look at	Principal(s)
patterns around types of harassment going on across the	
building	
Prevention strategies in place include:	Principal, All Staff
Communication of policy and practices	
 Handbook 	
 Newsletter articles 	
Quarterly House meetings	
Education	
 Staff orientation about policies at the beginning of 	
the year	
Homebase curriculum	
Health Curriculum	
Clubs and Activities which foster student leadership,	
acceptance and peaceful interactions	
Posters throughout the building	
Gay Straight Alliance (GSA)	
Peer Mediation Program (CARR)	
Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD)	
Student Council	