

# Foothills Elementary Behavior Definitions

Minor Problem Behaviors	Definition
Inappropriate Language	Student engages in low-intensity instance of inappropriate language.
Dress Code Violation	Student wears clothing that is not within the dress code guidelines outlined in the student handbook, such as wearing a hat, hood up, shoulders or belly showing, dress/shirt/shorts too high above the knee, clothes with offensive designs or writing, etc.
Disrespect	Student engages in brief to low-intensity verbal or non-verbal display of rudeness or discourtesy. Example: arguing, tone of voice, eye rolling, etc.
Disruptive	Student engages in low-intensity, but inappropriate disruption such as noises, rocking chair, tapping pencil, blurting out, etc.
Failure to follow school rules	Disregard to school-wide expectations. Examples: running in the halls, inappropriate voice, taking turns, etc.
Physical Contact	Student engages in non-serious, but inappropriate physical contact such as not keeping hands to self, playing roughly on playground, picking up others, etc.
Property Misuse	Student engages in low-intensity misuse of property such as writing on books, destroying school supplies or property, using playground equipment improperly.
Defiance	Student engages in brief to low-intensity failure to respond to adult requests. Example: when asked to do something, student says "No, I don't want to."
Stealing	Student engages in minor acts of stealing. Example: takes pencil from another student.
Major Problem Behaviors	Definition
Abusive Language	Student delivers verbal messages that include swearing, name calling or use of words in an inappropriate way that is directed at someone.
Fighting/Physical Aggression	Student engages in actions involving serious physical contact where injury may occur. Example: hitting, punching, throwing objects, etc.
Defiance	Student engages in continuous refusal to follow directions, talks back, and/or delivers socially rude interactions.
Disrespect	Student engages in continuous verbal or non-verbal displays of rudeness or discourtesy such as inappropriate gestures, pictures or written notes.
Theft	Student in possession of, having passed on, or being responsible for removing someone else's property without that person's permission.
Lying/Cheating	Student delivers message that is untrue and/or deliberately violates the rules.
Failure to follow school rules	Repeated disregard for school-wide expectations.
Weapons	Student in possession of knives or guns (real or look alike), or other objects readily capable of causing bodily harm.
Harassment/Bullying	Student delivers disrespectful messages (verbal or gestural) to another person that includes threats and intimidation, obscene gestures, pictures or written notes.

SST (Student Success Team)- A committee of faculty members that meet to discuss how to help students be successful.