



VANDALISM, BREAK-INS AND THEFTS

The care and maintenance of all divisional property, including buildings, equipment and vehicles is a priority of the Board. It therefore commits itself to a stern approach to vandalism. Anyone who defaces or maliciously damages divisional property will be held responsible for its repair or replacement.

“If property of a school division or school district is destroyed, damaged, lost or converted by the intentional or negligent act of a child, the child and his/her parents are jointly and severally liable to the School Board for the loss.” (PSA 58.8)

Damage to divisional or other property occurring during extra-curricular activities or field trips will also be considered to be acts of vandalism.

School Principals shall:

1. inform and impress upon students that each student has a role, through example and peer pressure in reducing/eliminating damage to all property, including facilities, furniture, equipment, books, and supplies;
2. encourage everyone in the school and community to report acts of vandalism;
3. investigate damage resulting from suspected willful or malicious acts, or neglect, to establish responsibility and to determine whether a claim for restitution is justified. A “Vandalism Report” must also be completed.

Where a claim for restitution is justified, the Principal:

1. will determine the amount of restitution to be assessed, and
2. may request assistance from Division staff:
 - a) to determine the amount;
 - b) to collect the assessed amount.

Restitution may be with money and/or work.

Vandals, if they are students, may be suspended or expelled.

Occurrences of break-ins and thefts will be reported according to the procedure outlined in EF-R.