## POLICY RELATING TO SUPPORT OPERATIONS

## **VANDALISM**

The Wachusett Regional School Committee recognizes that acts of vandalism committed against public and private property are illegal and costly and require positive action through educational programs. Consequently, the Committee will support various educational programs and disciplinary measures aimed at reducing the amount of vandalism to school property.

Citizens, employees, and students of the Wachusett Regional School District are urged by the Committee to cooperate in reporting any incidents of vandalism to property under the control of the District and the name(s) of the person(s) believed to be responsible for such vandalism. Each employee will report to the principal of the school every incident of vandalism observed by the employee, including the names of those responsible, if known to the employee. All reports shall be made to the principal of the school building.

In the event of a criminal complaint against person(s) committing vandalism to school property, the Superintendent or his/her designee shall provide all available information to the appropriate police department and assist in the prosecution

The student(s) and the parent(s)/guardian(s) of students allegedly involved in an incident of vandalism will be notified of such incident. The District shall seek reimbursement for damage to school buildings or school properties from the parties responsible. Such action may include the filing of civil complaints for damages to District property.

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