

**WINSLOW PUBLIC SCHOOLS
25 MESSALONSKEE AVENUE
WATERVILLE, ME 04901**

CARE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY BY STUDENTS

Textbooks, other school property and facilities are available to students for their use. Equipment and materials loaned or issued to students remain the property of the school and may be recalled or inspected at any time.

Students are responsible for the care of school property and will be required to return any items issued to them. Each student is responsible for loss or damage beyond normal wear.

Students will be billed for the replacement cost of lost, stolen or damaged property. If reimbursement has not been made within a reasonable time:

- A. Damage to school property may be recovered in a court action to obtain the permitted "double damage;" or
- B. Cost of lost, destroyed, or damaged school books and instructional appliances may be recovered by requesting the municipal assessor to include the value on the next municipal tax of the delinquent parent.

Student use of all school storage facilities, including but not limited to lockers, desks, and parking lots, is a privilege granted by the school. All storage facilities are school property and remain under the control, custody and supervision of the school. Students have no expectation of privacy in school storage facilities or for any items placed in such storage facilities. School administrators have the authority to inspect and search storage facilities and their contents on a random basis, with or without reasonable suspicion, and without notice or consent.

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LEGAL REFERENCE: 20-A MRSA §§ 6805-6807

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