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Suspension

The building principal or designee may suspend a student from school for the period of time authorized by law for any of the following reasons:

1. noncompliance with District policies, school rules, or code of conduct;
2. knowingly conveying any threat or false information concerning an attempt or alleged attempt being made or to be made to destroy any school property by means of explosives;
3. conduct while at school or under the supervision of a school authority which endangers the health, safety or property of others; or
4. conduct while not at school or while not under the supervision of a school authority which endangers the health, safety or property of others at school or under the supervision of a school authority, or of any District employee or School Board member.

In addition, a student shall be suspended from school when required by law (e.g., possessing a firearm in violation of state law and Board policy).

All student suspensions from school must be reasonably justified and shall be administered in accordance with state law requirements.

Students may be offered an opportunity to voluntarily participate in a particular support program or intervention activity related to their misconduct as an alternative to suspension, or as an alternative consequence to serving a full suspension period, at the discretion of the building principal.

Expulsion

Students may be recommended to the School Board for expulsion from school if they have engaged in any of the following type of conduct:

1. repeated refusal or neglect to obey District policies or school rules;
2. knowingly conveying any threat or false information concerning an attempt or alleged attempt being made or to be made to destroy any school property by means of explosives;
3. conduct while at school or under the supervision of a school authority which endangered the property, health or safety of others;
4. conduct while not at school or while not under the supervision of a school authority which endangered the property, health or safety of others at school or under the supervision of the school authority, or of any District employee or Board member; or

5. the student repeatedly engaged in conduct while at school or while under the supervision of a school authority that disrupted the ability of school authorities to maintain order or an educational atmosphere at school or at an activity supervised by a school authority and such conduct does not constitute grounds for expulsion under any of the other reasons for expulsion outlined above. This last reason for expulsion only applies to students 16 years of age or older.

The Board may expel a student from school whenever it finds that the student engaged in any of the above conduct and is satisfied that the interest of the school demands the student's expulsion. Students may be offered an opportunity to voluntarily participate in a particular support program or intervention activity related to their misconduct as an alternative to expulsion.

A student shall be expelled from school for engaging in conduct outlined in state law which requires the student's expulsion from school (e.g., possessing a firearm in violation of state law and Board policy).

All student expulsions, including those involving students with disabilities, shall follow all statutory procedures and requirements.

The Board may specify conditions in a student's expulsion order that would allow the student to be reinstated to school early before the end of the term of his/her expulsion. The early reinstatement condition(s) shall be related to the reason(s) for the expulsion and shall be enforced in accordance with state law requirements.

Legal

[Section 118.127 \[use of law enforcement records as sole basis for suspending or expelling students from school prohibited\]](#)

[Section 118.16\(4\)\(b\) \[\[conditions for making up examinations and coursework missed during suspensions as per student attendance policy\].](#)

[Section 120.13\(1\) \[board power to suspend or expel students from school\]](#)