



# WOODBIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Woodbridge Board of Education

FROM: Jonathan S. Budd, Ph.D., Superintendent

DATE: May 11, 2021

RE: Proposed Revision of Policy 5114, "Suspension and Expulsion / Due Process"

Based on this morning's meeting of the Board's Policy Committee, please find attached a proposed revision of Policy 5114 which would conform the policy with various statutory changes since its prior (2014) revision:

- Connecticut Public Act 14-229, which modified circumstances under which students' cumulative educational records can be expunged for certain expulsions;
- Connecticut Public Act 15-96, which limited out-of-school suspensions and expulsions for students in preschool and in grades K-2;
- Connecticut Public Act 16-147, which: added certain expulsion hearing rights; clarified requirements for alternative educational opportunities for students who have been expelled; and added requirements for reporting certain expulsion offenses to the local police department; and
- Connecticut Public Act 19-91, which modified the standard to be met to expel a student.

All these changes to the policy are indicated in red bold.

In addition, based on the Board's feedback on April 9, an additional proposed revision (indicated in blue bold at the top of page 2) directs readers to the required federal code (18 U.S.C. 921) defining "firearm" for purposes of suspension/expulsion procedures; the definition in the federal code for these purposes is required by C.G.S. §10-233d. This recommended additional revision avoids the complication of the summary language in the prior proposed revision.