

This policy addresses the use of Detention as a traditional disciplinary measure to address student misconduct as outlined in Policy 390.00 Student Discipline.

As utilized herein, certain terms are defined as follows:

A. Definition of Detention

"Detention" means the school confinement of any student for disciplinary purposes. Detention may be imposed immediately upon the removal of a student from the classroom for disciplinary reasons, or may entail after-school hours detention or detention as part of a Saturday School program. Detention shall be part of the requirement of school attendance by the student.

B. Grounds for Detention

During a single school year, the commission of any act while the student is engaged in any school activity or is on school grounds, not amounting to a felony or misdemeanor, which violates any duly adopted written discipline policy of the Board of Trustees, or any written discipline policy of the Superintendent or Principal of any school, may be grounds for detention. Any second or subsequent commission of such an act shall be grounds for suspension.

C. Provisions Regarding Detention

The following provisions shall govern detention:

The Principal or the Principal's designee shall follow the procedures listed below when placing a student in detention:

1. The student will have the policy infraction and the consequences fully explained.
2. The student will have an opportunity to give an explanation.
3. If it is determined that the student should be placed in detention, it may be accomplished in one of the following ways:
 - a. In school detention with the student making up the work missed while out of the classroom.
 - b. An after school detention with the student having added responsibility for work (make up or additional) at the discretion of the teacher consistent with the infraction.
 - c. If a secondary student, he/she may participate in a Saturday School with the student bringing work as may be required for the class or being required to do additional work as may be assigned by the Saturday school instructor in the absence of accompanying class work.

4. In the event detention is to take place after school or on a Saturday, notice shall be provided to the student's parents or legal guardian of the proposed detention prior to the detention occurring and arranged cooperatively if possible with the parent/guardian. If the detention takes place during school hours, written notice of the student's policy infractions and of the detention shall be provided to the student's parents or legal guardian by the most expeditious means available.
5. The Superintendent or Principal who directed the student detention shall document or have documented a record of the student's detention in the District's student information system.



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