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Step 1	Counseling/warning																																											
Step 2	Time-out/ISS																																											
Step 3	One (1) – three (3) days after school detention																																											
	1. Failure to report will move to Step 4																																											
	2. Removal from ladder if not referred to office for ten (10) days																																											
Step 4	Out-of-school suspension up to three (3) days																																											
	1. Contact parent or legal guardian; parent or guardian must return with student to school																																											
	2. Loss of privileges during time of suspension																																											
	3. Must serve all previous assigned punishment																																											
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	1. Contact parent or legal guardian; parent or guardian must return with student to school																																											
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- Step 6 OSS up to ten (10) days
1. Contact parent or legal guardian; parent or guardian must return with student to school
 2. Loss of privileges during time of suspension
 3. Must serve all previous assigned punishment
- Step 7 Expulsion

In addition, a student will be arrested for assault, threatening staff, fighting, possession of a weapon or possession of drugs.

Notes

1. At the discretion of the lead teachers, a warning may be issued to student.
2. Teachers are encouraged to handle discipline within their classroom. Rule violations that result in the referral of the student to the office will be handled according to the TPSD alternative discipline program (ladder).
3. A student may enter the discipline ladder at any step, depending upon the nature of the offense.
4. Incentive is provided for the student to improve his/her behavior through provisions or a probationary period that allows a student to remove himself/herself from the discipline ladder by improved conduct.
5. Failure to complete the step consequence as designed will result in escalation to the next step on the ladder. *But all previous consequences will stay in effect.
6. Referral to the office during the probationary period prescribed in the discipline step will result in escalation to at least the next step. Students referred for a repeat or a more serious violation may escalate more than one step.
7. In all cases of OSS or ISS, the student will lose all privileges during the time he/she is suspended.
8. If the misbehavior occurs on a school bus or at a bus stop, the school bus discipline policy will be followed.
9. Self-defense is the use of appropriate, reasonable force to defend or remove oneself or another person against the assault of an aggressor when there is no reasonable avenue of escape or means of avoidance.
10. Counseling may be added to any step.
11. Local city ordinance on the possession or use of tobacco products will be enforced.