

## STUDENT DISCIPLINE

A minimum of Parents, school personnel and students shall be involved in the development of policies, and public hearings before the Board shall be held during the formulation of these policies in the high school attendance areas within each district or on a district-wide basis for those districts that have no high school. The Superintendent shall prepare and recommend the final format of discipline policies and develop procedures for the discipline of students that comply with state laws and regulations. These policies and procedures will apply to all students traveling to, attending, and returning from school, and while visiting another school or at a school-sanctioned activity and may be imposed if the student's behavior affects the school order. When suspension or expulsion is involved, notice, hearing, and appeal procedures shall conform to applicable legal requirements.

Neither the District nor any school or individual shall impose discipline, discrimination or disparate treatment against a student based on the student's race, religion or culture or because of the student's use of protective hairstyles or cultural or religious headaddresses. No student who is enrolled, or eligible for enrollment, in a federally recognized Indian nation, tribe or pueblo shall be prohibited from wearing tribal regalia or objects of cultural significance along with or attached to a cap or gown, or from wearing tribally significant footwear or other items of apparel under a gown, at graduation ceremonies or public school events. "Tribal regalia" means a tribe's traditional dress or recognized objects of religious or cultural significance, including tribal symbols, jewelry, beading, and feathers.

Racialized aggression defined as any aggressive act which can be characterized, categorized or which appears as such to be racial in nature is prohibited. A link to a state-wide hotline for reporting such incidents is provided on the District Website located at **Aztec Municipal School District** *{fill in web address for School District}*.

Information concerning a student's disciplinary record will be held in the strictest confidence.

Disciplinary actions taken will be recorded in an administrative log, and all types of suspensions or expulsions will be recorded in a separate file for each student.

*Adopted:*     date of manual adoption

LEGAL REF.:     22-5-4.3 NMSA (1978)  
                       22-35-3 NMSA (1978)  
                       6.11.2.7 NMAC  
                       6.11.2.8 NMAC  
                       6.11.2.9 NMAC  
                       6.11.2.10 NMAC  
                       6.11.2.11 NMAC  
                       6.11.2.12 NMAC

CROSS REF.:     JIC - Student Conduct  
                       JICA - Student Dress  
                       **JKA** - Corporal Punishment  
                       JKD - Student Suspension/Expulsion  
                       JR - Student Records

*Note:* This material is written for informational purposes only, and not as legal advice. You may wish to consult an attorney for further explanation.