

BP 5144.1 SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION

Note: 4 AAC 07.010 mandates district policies on substantive and procedural matters related to student behavior, treatment and discipline. The following sample policy may be revised to reflect district philosophy and needs.

The School Board recognizes that maintaining an environment which promotes learning and protects the health, safety, and welfare of all students may require the suspension or expulsion of a student from regular classroom instruction. District policies and school site rules shall clearly identify student behavior standards.

(cf. 5131 - Student Conduct)

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

(cf. 6154 - Homework/Make-up Work)

The Superintendent **or designee** or principal may impose suspension when other means of correction fail to bring about proper conduct or for serious misconduct.

The Board may expel a student for severe or prolonged breaches of discipline. Except for single acts of a grave nature, expulsion is usually used only when there is a history of misconduct, when other forms of discipline, including suspension, have failed to bring about proper conduct, or when the student's presence causes a continuing danger to other students.

Note: The optional language below excludes suspended or expelled students' participation in extracurricular activities.

Suspended or expelled students shall be excluded from all school-related extracurricular activities during the suspension or expulsion.

The Board shall provide for the fair treatment of students facing suspension and expulsion by affording them their due process rights under the law. The Superintendent or designee shall specify procedures for notices and appeals.

(cf. 3514 - Safety)

(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process - Individuals with Exceptional Needs)

(cf. 6164.3 – Student Mental Health – Medication and Services)

Legal Reference:

ALASKA STATUTES

[14.03.160](#) *Suspension or expulsion of students for possessing weapons*

[14.30.045](#) *Grounds for suspension or denial of admission*

[14.30.047](#) *Admission or readmission, when cause no longer exists*

[14.30.172](#) *Communications not prohibited*

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[4 AAC 06.060](#) *Suspension or denial of admission*

[4 AAC 07.010 - 4 AAC 07.900](#) *Student rights and responsibilities*

[Goss v. Lopez](#), 419 U.S. 565 (1975)

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