

Students

Discipline: Suspension/Expulsion

All school district employees share responsibility for supervising the behavior of students to help them meet standards of conduct established by the Board of Education or the school administration. In working with the students, emphasis shall be placed upon developing effective self-discipline as the most effective disciplinary approach.

I. Definitions

- A. **Emergency** means a situation in which the continued presence of the student in school or school sponsored activities poses such a danger to persons or property or such a disruption of the educational process that a hearing may be delayed until a time as soon after the exclusion of such student as possible.
- B. **Exclusion** means any denial of public school privileges to a student for disciplinary purposes.
- C. **Expulsion** means the exclusion of a student from school privileges for more than ten (10) consecutive school days, but not in excess of the number of days in one school year. ~~The expulsion period may not extend beyond one (1) calendar year. An expulsion may extend to the school year following the school year in which the expulsion was imposed, but may not exceed one calendar year. To be expelled, the student's conduct must be found to be both in violation of a Board policy and either seriously disruptive of the educational process or endangering persons or property.~~
- D. **In-School Suspension** means an exclusion from regular classroom activity for no more than **ten (10)** consecutive school days, but not exclusion from school, provided such exclusion shall not extend beyond the end of the school year in which such in-school suspension was imposed. No student shall be placed on in-school suspension more than fifteen (15) times or a total of fifty (50) days in one (1) school year, whichever results in fewer days of exclusion.
- E. **Removal** is the exclusion of a student for a class period of ninety (90) minutes or less. The reassignment of a student from one regular education classroom program in the district to another regular education classroom program in the district shall not constitute a suspension or expulsion.
- F. **School Days** shall mean days when school is in session for students.
- G. **School-Sponsored Activity** means any activity sponsored, recognized or authorized by the Board and includes activities conducted on or off school property.
- H. **Seriously Disruptive of the Educational Process**, as applied to off-campus conduct, means any conduct that markedly interrupts or severely impedes the day-to-day operation of a school.