

SUSPENSION OF STUDENTS

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Purpose: To establish the board's vision for the suspension of students.

It is the policy of this board to provide due process of law to students, parents and center personnel through procedures for the suspension or expulsion of students which are consistent with federal law, state law and regulation and local policy.

According to state law, the board may suspend a student from the center for commission of any crime, gross immorality, gross misbehavior, persistent disobedience or for violation of written rules and regulations established by the local boards of trustees, the center board or the state board of education. The board may also suspend a student when the presence of the student is detrimental to the best interest of the center.

Suspension is the exclusion of a student from the center and center activities for a period of time not to exceed 10 school days for any one offense.

The board delegates the power of suspension to the director or his/her designee.

The board uses the word suspension in this policy to mean either suspension from the center or in-school suspension as determined by the director.

Review of suspension will be discretionary with the board. However, the board must review suspensions that occur within the last 10 days of the school year which would make a student ineligible to receive credit for the school year.

Whenever a student who is classified as disabled commits a suspendable offense, the director or his/her designee will confer with the coordinator for special programs before initiating suspension procedures.

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Legal references:

A. S. C. Code, 1976, as amended:

1. Section 59-19-90(3) - Gives district trustees authority to prescribe rules of pupil conduct, including provisions for suspension or dismissal of those failing to comply with such rules.
2. Section 59-63-210, et seq. - Grounds for suspension, expulsion or transfer.
3. Section 59-63-240 - Expulsion hearings - times, procedures, legal rights appeals.