

EXPULSION

Only the Board may remove a student from the school environment. The removal of a student from the school environment, which includes, but is not limited to, classes and activities, is an expulsion from school.

Students may be expelled for violations of board policy, school rules or the law. It shall be within the discretion of the board to discipline a student by using an expulsion for a single offense or for a series of offenses depending on the nature of the offense and the circumstances surrounding the offense.

It shall be within the discretion of the Executive Director of Student and At-Risk Services to recommend to the Superintendent who recommends to the Board the expulsion of a student for disciplinary purposes. Only the Board may take action to expel a student and to readmit the student. The principal shall keep records of expulsions in addition to the Board's records.

When a student is recommended for expulsion by the Board, the student shall be provided with:

1. Notice of the reasons for the proposed expulsion;
2. The names of the witnesses and an oral or written report on the facts to which each witness testifies unless the witnesses are students whose names may be released at the discretion of the Superintendent;
3. An opportunity to present a defense against the charges and provide either oral testimony or written affidavits of witnesses on the student's behalf;
4. The right to be represented by counsel; and,
5. The results and finding of the Board in writing are open to the student's inspection.

During the term of the expulsion, the student cannot be on any school property or at any school activities. This includes the following:

1. all school buildings, on the school campus, in bus garages, administrative office, and parking lots within established school boundaries.
2. in close proximity to the school campus when discipline infractions occur in close proximity to the school day or away from school grounds or school events if the misconduct directly affects the good order, efficient management and welfare of the school district.
3. on school operated or chartered buses or while being transported under supervision of school personnel or in close proximity to the bus stop.
4. attending school-sponsored or school-related activities in which a district school participates, whether or not on district-owned premises. This includes events away from the school district if a district school participates.

Legal Ref.: Goss v. Lopez, 419 U.S. 565 (1975).
Wood v. Strickland, 420 U.S. 308 (1975).
Southeast Warren Comm. School District v. Dept. of Public Instruction, 285 N.W.2d 173 (Iowa 1979).
 Iowa Code §§ 21.5; 282.3, .4, .5.
 281 I.A.C. 12.3(6).

Cross Ref.: 103.1 Anti-bullying/Harassment

504.3 Student Conduct Code
504.4 Suspension
504.4-R2 Suspension of Special Education Students
504.5-R2 Expulsion of Special Needs Students

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