

STUDENT SUSPENSION

Administration Action

A. Probation

1. Probation is conditional suspension of a penalty for a set period of time. Probation may be imposed by the principal for infractions of school rules which do not warrant the necessity of removal from school.
2. The principal shall conduct an information investigation of the allegations against the student prior to imposition of probationary status. Such investigation shall include, but not be limited to, written or oral notice to the student of the allegations against him and an opportunity to respond. Probationary status will not be imposed for a longer period than ten school days. Written notice of the probation and the reasons therefore shall be sent to the parents.

B. In-School Suspension

1. In-school suspension is the temporary isolation of a student from one or more classes while under administrative supervision. In-school suspensions may be imposed by the principal for infractions of school rules which are serious but which do not warrant the necessity of removal from school.
2. The principal shall conduct an informal investigation of the allegations against the student prior to imposition of an in-school, suspension. Such an investigation shall include, but not be limited to, written or oral notice to the student of the allegations against him and an opportunity to respond. In-school suspension shall not be imposed for a longer period than ten school days. Written notice of the in-school suspension and the reasons therefore shall be sent to the student's parents.

C. Out-of-School Suspension

1. Suspension is the removal of a student from the school environment for periods of short duration. Suspension is to be employed when other available school resources are unable to constructively remedy student misconduct.

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2. A student may be suspended for up to ten school days by a principal for a commission of gross or repeated infractions of school rules, or when the presence of the student will cause interference with the maintenance of the educational environment or the operation of the school. The principal may suspend such students after conducting an investigation of the charges against the student, giving the student:
 - a. Oral or written notice of the allegations against the student,
 - b. The basis in fact for the charges, and
 - c. The opportunity to respond to those charges.

At the principal's discretion, the student may be allowed to confront witnesses against the student or hear witnesses on behalf of the student.

3. Notice of the suspension shall be mailed no later than the end of the school day following the suspension to the student's parents and the superintendent. A reasonable effort shall be made to notify the student's parents by telephone or personal contact and such effort shall be documented by the person making or attempting to make the contact. Written notice to the parents shall include the circumstances which led to the suspension and a copy of the board policy and rules pertaining to the suspension.

D. Suspensions and Special Education Students

1. Students who have been identified as special education students maybe referred for a review of the student's Individual Education Program. The Individual Education Program will be revised to include a continuum of intervention strategies and programming to change the behavior.
2. Students who have not been identified as special education students may be referred for evaluation after the student's second out-of-school suspension to determine whether the student has a disability and is in need of special education.

