SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION

Any student attending school who neglects or refuses to conform with the standards of orderly conduct prescribed by the school and/or school district shall be subject to suspension or expulsion for gross misconduct, or to expulsion for neglect or refusal to comply with these standards. See RSA 193:13.

Conduct specifically prohibited shall include, but not be limited to, habitual truancy, verbal or physical abuse toward any student, faculty or staff member, vandalism, disobedience of reasonable demands of staff or faculty members, possession of controlled drugs and/or alcoholic beverages on school property, disrupting classroom atmosphere, impeding classroom decorum, causing disturbances among other students in attendance, distracting other students so as to interfere with the educational process, and disrupting the disciplinary process.

- A. Suspensions of not more than five (5) days may be made by the building principal or his/her representative as designated in writing).
- B. Suspension of 6-10 days may be made by the Superintendent (or his/her representative as designated in writing) provided that the parent/guardian may appeal the suspension to the school board. *Decision of the School Board is final.*
- C. Suspensions of more than 10 days maybe made by the Superintendent of Schools with School Board approval, provided parent/guardian may appeal suspension to the School Board. *Decision of the School Board is final*
- D. Expulsions may be made only by the School Board after written notice to the student of his/her gross misconduct or his/her neglect or refusal to conform to the rules or regulations of the school. Such expulsions occur only after a hearing by the Board.

Expulsions are subject to review not less than one month prior to the start of the next school year, and may be appealed to the State Board of Education by the parent or guardian of the dismissed student.

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