

Suspension Appeals

Students who are suspended from school shall have the opportunity to appeal the suspension to the Supervisor of Child Welfare and Attendance within five school days of receipt of the suspension. The Supervisor of Child Welfare and Attendance shall schedule a hearing within a reasonable time from the date of the suspension. The student shall have the right to be represented at the hearing by anyone that the student or parent chooses. At the hearing, the hearing office shall consider the following:

- (a) whether the District complied with the procedural requirements regarding notice, and the student's opportunity to have a meaningful hearing;
- (b) whether the evidence was fully and fairly considered;
- (c) whether the District complied with the requirements in the Code of Conduct;
- (d) whether the school tried non-exclusionary alternatives before imposing the consequence;
- (e) mitigating factors that should be considered; and
- (f) additional facts that were not heard at the original hearing.

The Superintendent or his/her designee shall provide a written decision within three days of the hearing. If the Superintendent or his/her designee determines that no violation occurred, the district shall expunge all school records pertaining to the suspension from the student's file. If the Superintendent or his/her designee determines that the penalty was not appropriate to the violation, all school records shall be revised to reflect the Superintendent or his/her designee's determination.

Expulsion Appeals

The student (if age of majority) and/or his legal guardians/parents have the right to appeal the Superintendent's decision to the School Board within 5 days of the receipt of the letter. Otherwise, the Superintendent's decision is final and incontestable.