Dell Rapids School District #49-3

Policies and Regulations Code: JGD – Students



JGD STUDENT SUSPENSION/EXPULSION

This policy is to assure that the schools operate within an effective and orderly learning environment and at the same time protect for all students the right to due process and fundamental fairness. The School Board has a responsibility to establish rules which will assist in (1) avoiding disruption of the school program; (2) preventing the invasion of the rights of others; (3) protecting school property; (4) alleviating any clear and present danger to the health, safety and welfare of the student body and the staff of the school district.

The School Board authorizes suspension or expulsion of any student from school for misconduct as outlined in the rules of the policy. The school board shall authorize the Superintendent to promulgate rules which are clear and direct concerning student misconduct which may result in suspension or expulsion from school attendance. Students and their parents shall be informed of these rules at the beginning of each school year or at the time of enrollment. Rules pertaining to suspension and expulsion shall be posted in each elementary, middle and high school throughout the school year.

The Superintendent shall cause these policies to be periodically reviewed to provide a basis for improvement and revision. Changes in rules shall not take effect, however, until reasonable effort has been made to distribute such changes to all students and parents.

The school board will assist and cooperate with the administration and teachers in the government and discipline of the schools. Suspension and expulsion requirements and procedures as outlined in SDLC 13-32, ARSD 24:05 and ARSD 24:07 will be followed.

Suspension or expulsion should be limited to those situations where it is necessary for the continuance of an orderly educational process and to protect persons, property and the right of others to learn. Principals are encouraged to use suspension and expulsion judiciously with the goal of returning a student to school as quickly as is feasible.

LEGAL REFS: SDCL 13-32-4; 13-32-4.2; 13-32-5; 13-32-7;

SDCL 22-42-19; 22-14A-22; 22-14A-2A; 22-14A-25;

ARSD 24:07:01; 24:07:02; 24:07:03; 24:07:06; 24:07:08; 24:05:26; Improving America's School Act of 1994, P.L. 103-382, page 59

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