

**Greater Albany SD 8J  
Board Policy**

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**Alternative Education Notification**

General notification of the alternative education law, the availability of existing programs and the procedures to request the establishment of new alternative education programs shall be contained in district publications distributed as appropriate.

Individual notification to student and parents or guardians<sup>1</sup> regarding the availability of alternative education programs will be given semiannually or when new programs become available under the following situations, as appropriate:

1. When two or more severe disciplinary problems occur within a three-year period;
2. When attendance is so erratic the student is not benefitting from the educational program. Erratic attendance will be defined on a case-by-case basis;
3. When a student's parent or guardian or emancipated student applies for exemption from attendance on a semiannual basis;
4. When an expulsion is being considered for reasons other than a weapons violation;
5. When a student is expelled for reasons other than a weapons policy violation.

Individual notification shall be hand-delivered or sent by certified mail. Parents or guardians shall receive individual notification prior to an actual expulsion.

Notification shall include:

1. The student's action;
2. A list of alternative education programs for this student;
3. The program recommendations based upon the student's perceived needs and learning styles;

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<sup>1</sup>As used in this policy, the term parent includes guardian or person in a parental relationship. The status and duties of a legal guardian are defined in ORS 125.005(4) and 125.300 - 125.325. The determination of whether an individual is acting in a parental relationship, for purposes of determining residency, depends on the evaluation of the factors listed in ORS 419B.373. The determination for other purposes depends on evaluation of those factors and a power of attorney executed pursuant to ORS 109.056. For special education student, parent also includes a surrogate parent, an adult student to whom rights have transferred and foster parent as defined in OAR 581-015-0005(18).

4. Procedures for enrolling the student in the recommended program.

If a student is unsuccessful in an alternative program, other district approved alternatives are forfeited.

END OF POLICY

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Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 109.056](#)

[ORS 125.005\(4\)](#)

[ORS 125.300-125.325](#)

[ORS 332.072](#)

[ORS 336.135 - 336.183](#)

[ORS 336.615 - 336.665](#)

[ORS 339.250 \(9\),\(11\)](#)

[ORS 419B.373](#)

[OAR 581-015-0005\(18\)](#)

[OAR 581-021-0045](#)

[OAR 581-021-0065](#)

[OAR 581-021-0070](#)

[OAR 581-021-0071](#)

[OAR 581-021-0076](#)

[OAR 581-022-1350](#)

[OAR 581-022-1620](#)

[OAR 581-023-0006](#)

[OAR 581-023-0008](#)

Cross Reference(s):

[IGBHA](#) - Alternative Education Programs

[IGBHB](#) - Establishment of Alternative Education Programs