

Douglas County  
School District 15

Code: **JGEA**  
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Orig. Code(s): JGEA

**Alternative Education Programs\*\***

Prior to a student leaving school or a student's expulsion, unless the expulsion is for a weapon's policy violation, the district will propose in writing to the student or the student's parent appropriate, accessible educational alternatives as determined by the district and as defined in Board policy IGBHB - Establishment of Alternative Education Programs. Such alternative program(s) will be instructional and may be combined with counseling.

The proposal of potential alternatives will be hand-delivered or sent by certified mail to assure that the parent receives it prior to the time of an actual expulsion or leaving school.

Appropriate accessible alternative education programs may be either public or private (nonsectarian). Programs may be provided by the district as a separate school, evening classes or tutorial instruction. Homebound instruction could be considered an appropriate alternative.

The district shall pay the actual cost of the district proposed alternative education program or an amount equal to 80 percent of the district's estimated current year's average per student net operating expenditure, whichever is less. The district will enter into a written contract with the program provider.

If a parent receives an exemption on a semi-annual basis to withdraw a student age 16 or 17, the district has no obligation to pay for an alternative education program.

If a student is not successful in the alternative education program or the alternative education program is not accepted by the students and/or parents, there is no obligation to propose or fund other alternatives.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 336.615 to -336.665](#)  
[ORS 339.240](#)  
[ORS 339.250](#)

[OAR 581-021-0070](#)  
[OAR 581-021-0071](#)  
[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  
IGBHC - Alternative Education Notification