

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 the student/parent handbook distributed each year.

Individual notification to students and parents 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. Severe disciplinary problems will be defined as when a student has exhausted the disciplinary process and used all in- and out-of-school suspensions that are reasonable to impose or when a student becomes a danger to the physical well-being of other students, a notification will be sent to parents that the principal is recommending expulsion. A copy of this letter will be sent directly to the superintendent;
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 and is where a student is frequently absent to the degree that he/she is not benefitting from the educational program. A report, with documentation, will be made to the coordinator of special programs. The coordinator of special programs will consult with the principal, determine the progress of procedures and, if appropriate, initiate notification procedures to offer an alternative educational program;
3. When a student's parent 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 policy 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 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 learning styles and needs;

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

The superintendent will develop notification procedures in accordance with Oregon Revised Statutes.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 332.072

ORS 336.135 - 336.183

ORS 336.615 - 336.665

ORS 339.250 (9), (11)

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

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Cross Reference(s):

IGBHA - Alternative Education Programs

IGBHB - Establishment of Alternative Education Programs