

Student Discipline Procedures

1. Minor rule violations should be handled by the classroom teacher or assigned staff member.
2. Repeated violation or a minor rule should be handled by the appropriate staff member.
3. Violations of a major rule or repeated minor violations may be referred to the administration. Since certain violations might result in suspension¹ and/or expulsion², such incidents shall be documented.
4. Illegal and/or dangerous activities will be referred to the administration, who may also contact law enforcement authorities.
5. Alcohol, tobacco or chemical abuse violations are subject to intervention and treatment activities. If intervention treatment activities are refused by student and/or parent/guardian, normal discipline procedures will apply. When the occurrence includes other serious rule violations, disciplinary procedures may accompany intervention activities.

For any punishment other than suspension or expulsion the nature and duration of the punishment shall be determined by the teacher and/or administrator involved.

Provisions of Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) will be followed when applicable.

A parent who is dissatisfied with the district's provision for special education services is entitled to file a request for a due process hearing with the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Oregon Department of Education, Public Service Building, 255 Capitol Street NE, Salem, Oregon, 97310-0203.

Students and/or parents may appeal any disciplinary decision to the immediate supervisor of the responsible employee. Specific suspension and expulsion appeals procedures are described in Board policy JGD - Suspension and JGE - Expulsion.

¹The use of out-of-school suspension or expulsion for discipline of a student in the fifth grade or below, is limited to:

1. Nonaccidental conduct causing serious physical harm to a student or employee;
2. When a school administrator determines, based on the administrator's observation or upon a report from an employee, the student's conduct poses a threat to the health or safety of students or employees; or
3. When the suspension or expulsion is required by law.

²Students may be expelled for the following circumstances:

1. When a student's conduct poses a threat to the health or safety of students or employees;
2. When other strategies to change the student's behavior have been ineffective, except that expulsion may not be used to address truancy; or
3. When required by law.

Suspensions shall be documented. When determining punishment, the current year and the previous two years record may be considered.

These student discipline procedures specifically apply to students riding school vehicles.