

### **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 shall be given semiannually, or when new programs become available under the following situations, as appropriate:

1. Upon the occurrence of a second or any subsequent occurrence of a severe disciplinary problem within a three-year period;
2. When the district finds a student's attendance pattern to be so erratic that the student is not benefitting from the educational program (Erratic attendance will be defined on a case-by-case basis);
3. When the district is considering expulsion as a disciplinary alternative as deemed appropriate by the superintendent (for reasons other than a weapons policy violation);
4. When a student is expelled pursuant to ORS 339.250 (3) as deemed appropriate by the superintendent (for reasons other than a weapons policy violation);
5. When an emancipated minor, parent, or legal guardian applies for a student's exemption from compulsory attendance on a semiannual basis as provided in ORS 339.030 (2).

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

The notification of appropriate and accessible alternative programs must include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Student action which is the basis for consideration of alternative education;
2. Listing of alternative education programs available to this student;
3. The program recommended for the student based on student's learning style and needs;
4. Procedures for enrolling the student in the recommended program; and

5. When the parent or guardian’s language is other than English, the district must provide notification in a manner that the parent or guardian can understand.

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

END OF POLICY

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**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](#)

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