



## Board of Director's Policy Students 500 Series

**Policy # 500.43**

### **Suspension Procedures**

The Executive Director or designee shall implement suspension procedures that provide, at a minimum, for the following:

1. Before a student may be suspended, the student shall be provided a conference during which the charges will be explained and the student will be given an opportunity to respond to the charges.
2. A pre-suspension conference is not required and the student can be immediately suspended when the student's presence poses a continuing danger to persons or property or an ongoing threat of disruption to the educational process. In such cases, the notice and conference shall follow as soon as practicable.
3. Any suspension shall be reported immediately to the student's parent(s)/guardian(s). A written notice of the suspension shall state the reasons for the suspension, including any school rule that was violated, and a notice to the parent(s)/guardian(s) of their right to a review of the suspension. The Board of Education must be given a summary of the notice, including the reason for the suspension and the suspension length.
4. Upon request of the parent(s)/guardian(s), a review of the suspension shall be conducted by the Board or a hearing officer appointed by the Board. At the review, the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) may appear and discuss the suspension with the Board or its hearing officer and may be represented by counsel. After presentation of the evidence or receipt of the hearing officer's report, the Board shall take such action as it finds appropriate.

A pupil who is suspended from a charter school shall be deemed to be suspended or expelled from the public schools of the school district in which the pupil resides. A pupil who is suspended from the public schools of the school district in which the pupil resides shall be deemed to be suspended or expelled from the charter school.

#### **LEGAL REF.:**

105 ILCS 5/10-22.6(b).

105 ILCS 5/27A-4

Goss v. Lopez, 95 S.Ct. 729 (1975).

Sieck v. Oak Park River-Forest High School, 807 F.Supp. 73 (N.D. Ill., E.D., 1992).

#### **Adoption Dates:**

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