

HAMPTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION

ADOPTED: February 18, 2004

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<p>1. Purpose</p> <p>2. Authority SC 1318 Title 22 Sec. 12.6, 12.8</p> <p>3. Guidelines</p> <p>SC 1318 Title 22 Sec. 12.6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">233. SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION</p> <p>The Board recognizes that exclusion from the educational program of the schools, whether by suspension or expulsion, is the most severe sanction that can be imposed on a student and one that cannot be imposed without due process.</p> <p>The Board may, after a proper hearing, suspend a student for such time as it deems necessary or may permanently expel a student.</p> <p>Students who have been suspended shall be responsible for making arrangements with the classroom teacher to complete any work that was done during the term of the suspension.</p> <p>Parents of students who have been suspended may be expected to report to the school for a conference regarding the readmission of their child.</p> <p><u>Exclusion From School - Suspension</u></p> <p>The principal or teacher in charge of the school may suspend any student for disobedience or misconduct for a period of one (1) to ten (10) consecutive school days and shall report the suspension to the Superintendent as soon as possible.</p> <p>No student may be suspended without notice of the reasons for which s/he is suspended and an opportunity to be heard on his/her own behalf before the school official who holds the authority to reinstate the student. The parents shall be notified immediately in writing when a student is suspended.</p> <p>When the suspension exceeds three (3) school days, the student and parent/guardian will be given the opportunity for an informal hearing with the designated school official. Such hearing shall take place as soon as possible after the suspension. When extraordinary circumstances involving the health and safety of the student or others in the school require immediate exclusion, the hearing may be delayed to such time as circumstances permit.</p>
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	<p>A student may be suspended up to ten (10) school days following a hearing by the principal.</p> <p><u>Exclusion From Class – In-School Suspension</u></p>
<p>Title 22 Sec. 12.7</p>	<p>No student may receive an in-school suspension without notice of the reasons for which s/he is suspended and an opportunity to be heard prior to the time the suspension becomes effective. The parent/guardian shall be informed of the suspension action taken by the school.</p>
	<p>Should the in-school suspension exceed ten (10) consecutive school days, the student and his/her parent/guardian shall be offered an informal hearing with the designated school official. Such hearing shall take place prior to the eleventh day of the in-school suspension.</p>
<p>SC 1318 Title 22 Sec. 12.6, 12.8</p>	<p><u>Expulsion</u></p> <p>The Board may either expel for a period exceeding ten (10) school days or may permanently expel from the district rolls any student whose misconduct and disobedience warrants this sanction. No student shall be expelled without an opportunity for a formal hearing before the Board or a duly authorized committee of the Board, and upon action taken by the Board after the hearing.</p>
<p>Title 22 Sec. 12.6</p>	<p><u>Attendance Requirements</u></p> <p>A student under seventeen (17) years of age who is expelled has forfeited his/her right to an education in the district schools, but s/he has not been excused from compliance with the compulsory attendance statute.</p>
<p>Title 22 Sec. 12.6</p>	<p>The initial responsibility for providing the required education rests with the student's parent/guardian. Parents/Guardians who are unable to provide an education for their student shall submit a written statement within thirty (30) days that they are unable to do so. The district shall then make provisions for the student's education. If thirty (30) days pass without satisfactory evidence that the required education is being provided, the district shall contact the parent/guardian and make provisions for the student's education.</p>
<p>Title 22 Sec. 12.1, 12.6</p>	<p>The Board directs the Superintendent or designee to assist the parent/guardian in placing the student in an appropriate educational program other than in this district.</p> <p>If the approved educational program is not complied with, the school district may take action to ensure that the student will receive a proper education.</p>

<p>Title 22 Sec. 12.6, 12.8</p> <p>Title 22 Sec. 12.8</p> <p>Title 22 Sec. 12.6</p> <p>Title 22 Sec. 12.8</p>	<p><u>Hearings</u></p> <p>Students suspended for a period of time longer than three (3) days shall be afforded an informal hearing. Delay of such hearing shall not delay return to school.</p> <p>The Board requires that each hearing shall be closed to the public; but should the student and/or the parents agree, the hearing may be held publicly.</p> <p>Each suspended student involved in a formal hearing shall be restored to the regular educational program pending the outcome of the hearing except when, in the opinion of the Superintendent, the presence of the student in school poses a danger to the student or others in the school community.</p> <p>A student suspended during examinations, near the end of the school year, or at any period of time critical to his/her educational future may request an immediate hearing, even though the suspension is for a short term.</p> <p>The formal hearing shall observe the due process requirements of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Notification of the charges in writing by certified mail to the student or the student's parents/guardians. 2. Notice of the time and place of the hearing. 3. The hearing shall be private unless the student or parent requests a public hearing. 4. The right to representation by counsel. 5. Disclosure of the names of witnesses and the testimony they have made. 6. The right to request such witnesses appear in person and answer questions or be cross-examined. 7. The right to testify and present witnesses on the student's behalf. 8. The hearing shall be held with all reasonable speed. 9. Recording of the proceedings. 10. A copy of the transcript available at the student's expense.
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<p>4. Delegation of Responsibility</p> <p>Pol. 218</p> <p>Pol. 216</p> <p>School Code 1318</p> <p>PA Code Title 22 Sec. 12.1, 12.3, 12.6, 12.7, 12.8</p> <p>Board Policy 216</p>	<p>The Superintendent or designee shall develop rules and regulations to implement this policy which include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Publication of conduct standards in accordance with Board policy on student discipline.2. Procedures that ensure due process in depriving a student the right to attend school.3. Regulations regarding student records which require that records of disciplinary suspension be maintained in accordance with Board policy on student records.4. Procedures for periodic case review of expelled students.5. The name of a student under eighteen (18) years of age whose conduct has been disciplined shall not become part of the agenda or minutes of a public meeting, nor part of any public record of the Board; but such students may be designated by code.
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