

EXPULSION OF STUDENTS

No student shall be expelled from school except by action of the Board. Following a proper investigation, the Board shall expel students, if found necessary for the peace and usefulness of the school, as provided in 20-A MRSA § 1001(9) and (9A). The Board also has the authority to readmit an expelled student on satisfactory evidence that the behavior which was the cause of the student being expelled will not likely recur.

The parents/guardians shall be notified by certified letter and regular mail of the Board expulsion hearing. The hearing shall be in a properly called executive session and may also be attended by persons designated by the Superintendent to present information in the case.

Notice of Expulsion Hearing

Before an expulsion hearing, the Superintendent shall:

1. Informs them of the date, time and location of the hearing;
2. Provides a description of the incident(s) that resulted in the expulsion hearing;
3. Informs them of their right to review the school's records prior to the hearing;
4. Includes a copy of the Board's expulsion guidelines; and
5. Informs them that the student has the right to an attorney or other representation, and the right to present and cross-examine witnesses.
6. Invite the parents/legal guardians and the student to a meeting prior to the expulsion hearing to discuss the hearing.

The Board has adopted guidelines that outline the hearing process and the procedures for developing and implementing a reentry plan (if applicable).

Legal Reference: 20-A MRSA § 1001 (8A); (9); (9A); (9C)
1 MRSA § 405(6)(B)

Cross Reference: JKE-R - Expulsion Hearing and Reentry - Guidelines
JIC - Student Code of Conduct
JICIA – Weapons, Violence and School Safety
JK - Student Discipline
JKD - Suspension of Students
JKF – Suspension/Expulsion of Students with Disabilities

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