

The superintendent of this district or the principal of any school within this district may temporarily suspend any student for the following reasons:

1. Disciplinary reasons, including student harassment, intimidation, or bullying, or for any other conduct disruptive of good order or of the instructional effectiveness of the school.
2. Failure of the parent/guardian to furnish, or to request of a previous administration, out-of-state records for a student transferring into this district. The parent/guardian of a student transferring from out-of-state to a school in this district is required, if requested, to furnish the district accurate copies of the student's school records, including records containing information concerning violent or disruptive behavior, student harassment, intimidation, or bullying, or disciplinary action involving the student.

The temporary suspension by the principal will not exceed five (5) school days in length. The superintendent may extend the temporary suspension an additional ten (10) school days. If the board finds that immediate return to school attendance by the temporarily suspended student would be detrimental to other students' health, welfare, or safety, the board may extend the temporary suspension for an additional five (5) school days. Any such finding by the board will be made in executive session as provided by Idaho law.

Prior to suspending any student, the superintendent or principal will grant an informal hearing on the reasons for the suspension and the opportunity to challenge those reasons. Any such informal hearing will afford the student privacy. Any student who has been suspended may be readmitted to the school by the superintendent or the principal who suspended him or her upon such reasonable conditions as the superintendent or principal may prescribe. The board will be notified of any temporary suspensions, the reasons therefor, and the response, if any, thereto.

Suspension of students with disabilities as defined by Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), and subsequent amendments, and Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act, will follow federal guidelines and the provisions of this policy.



LEGAL REFERENCE:

Idaho Code Sections

18-917A – Student Harassment – Intimidation – Bullying

33-205 – Denial of Student Attendance

33-209 – Transfer of Student Records

33-512(6) – Governance of Schools (Discipline)

Public Law 94-142 (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act)

Goss v. Lopez, 419 U.S. 565 (1975)

Honig v. Doe, 108 S. Ct. 592 (1988)

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