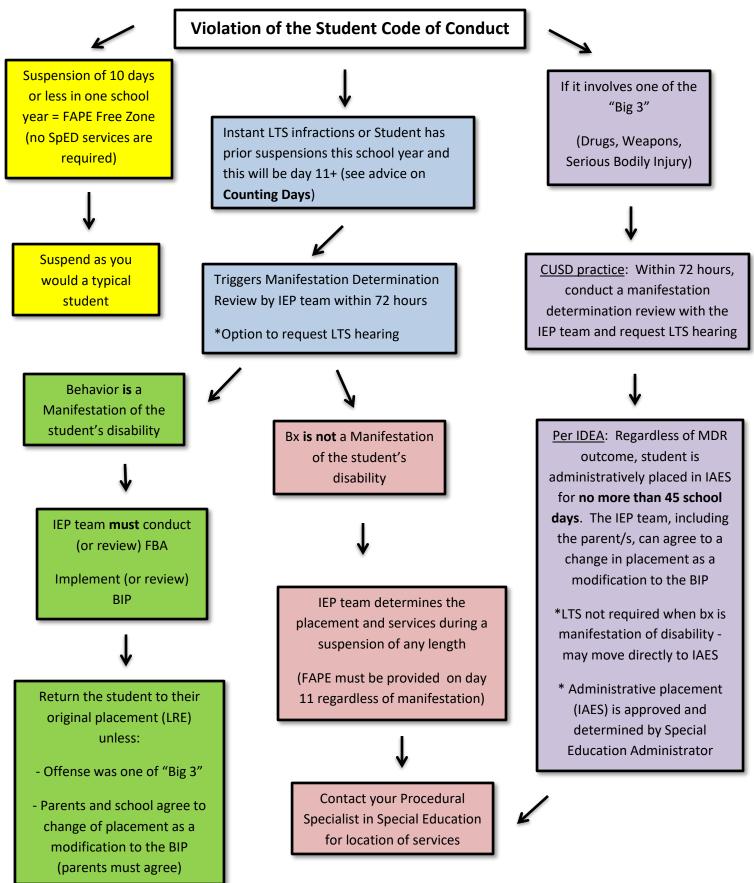
Student Discipline Flowchart for a student identified as having or suspected to have Special Education eligibility under the IDEA.



**Counting Days**: 10 Consecutive or Cumulative Days (with a pattern) – How do I determine?

- Day missed: Any day that the student missed a special education service that is listed on their IEP.
  - Resource Class
  - Inclusive Service in General Education classroom
  - Specialized Transportation
  - Related Services
- A Manifestation (MDR) is always required when there is a suspension that constitutes 10 consecutive days of missed special education instruction.
- Cumulative days: For cumulative days, a Manifestation meeting is only required when a "change of placement" has occurred.
- Change of Placement means:
  - 10 consecutive school days
  - o Series of removal that constitute a pattern (all 3 of the following must be true)
    - Series of removals total more than 10 school days in a school year
    - The behavior in the removal is similar to previous removals
    - Additional Factors are considered:
      - Length of each removal
      - Total amount of time removed
      - Proximity of removals
        - Legal advice: It's a change of placement if the student has been removed more than 10 days in a semester, or 15 days in a school year
  - Example: Jason is a 7<sup>th</sup> grader eligible under SLD. He receives OSS for four (4) different fights. This is not a manifestation of his disability.



## • What do we do if we decide it IS a change of placement?

- 1. Provide the parents with a copy of their procedural safeguards
- 2. Set up a manifestation determination review meeting
- 3. If the student has been removed from his/her current placement, return the student ASAP unless the parent and school agree otherwise