COLORADO
Department of Education

2026-2027 Discipline Interchange?Discipline Action File

File Changes Summary

For additional details please refer to the posted file layout.

General Information

File Timeline

- **LEA Data Collection:** LEAs need the ability to input data for all fields by **07/01/2026**.
- **Interchange Opens:** September 2026
- **Interchange Closes:** July 2027

Connected Data Collections

The following data collections utilize information from this file.

Collection Name	Collection Window
Student Discipline Snapshot	January 2027-July 2027
Special Education Discipline Snapshot	January 2027-July 2027

Changes

Record Expectation

For every incident the most serious behavior of **each student** is recorded.

Note: This is different from prior years where the most serious behavior was collected for the entire incident.

Retired Codes and Fields

Fields

Special Education Removal Type Field
Special Education Removal Reason Field
Transferred to Alternative School (for Disciplinary Reasons)** Field

Codes

Discipline Action Type Code 00
Behavior Type Codes 17-43

Note: Behavior Type Codes 17-43 will no longer be used in the Discipline Action File, however LEAs may continue to use these codes for future CRDC reporting.

New (Added) Fields

Section 504 Status

The student was identified as having a disability under regulations implementing Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 at the time of the discipline.

Code	Description	Logic Notes
0	No	
1	Yes	

Calendar Year Expulsion

Indicate whether the student was expelled for a calendar year, 365 days. Only applicable when Discipline Action Type is '13- Expulsion'. Zero-fill if not applicable.

Code	Description	Logic Notes
0	No	
1	Yes	

New (Added) Codes

Discipline Action Type

Code	Description
15	Unilateral Removal by School Personnel
16	Removal Based on a Hearing Officer's Determination
17	Removal for other reasons such as death, withdrawal, or incarceration

FAQs

Expulsion that spans Two School Years

The number of school days missed from the regular classroom because of the discipline. An action that spans two school years should be reported in both collection years and reflect the number of school days missed within each year.

Scenario

A student was involved in Incident # 1231234561 on April 6, 2026, is expelled on April 9, 2026 for six months (returning on October 9, 2026) and the last day of school is May 22, 2026. The first day of school for 2026-2027 is August 12, 2026.

Abbreviated Example Records:

School Year	Incident Identifier	Date of Incident	Discipline Action Identifier	Discipline Action Type	Discipline Action Length	Discipline Start Date
2025-2026	1231234561	04062026	4123569874	13	0320	04092026
2026-2027	1231234561	04062026	4123569874	13	0410	08122026