



Poudre School District

JKDA/JKEA - GROUNDS FOR SUSPENSION/EXPULSION OF STUDENTS

Students in Third Grade and Higher Grade Levels

Students in third grade and higher grade levels may be subject to suspension or expulsion for engaging in the following types of conduct while on District property, connected locally or remotely to the District computer network, in a District vehicle, at a District or school-sponsored activity or event, or off District property when such conduct has a reasonable connection to school or any District curricular or non-curricular activity or event:

1. Willful destruction or defacing of District property.
2. Commission of any act which, if committed by an adult, would be considered robbery, first-degree assault or second-degree assault, as defined by state law.
3. Violation of District policies regarding conduct involving weapons, drugs, alcohol, and harassment or discrimination.
4. Continued willful disobedience or open and persistent defiance of proper authority exercised reasonably, including deliberate refusal to obey a member of the District staff.
5. Behavior on or off school property that is detrimental to the welfare or safety of one or more other students, District employees or other persons, including behavior that creates a threat of physical harm to the student exhibiting the behavior or to one or more other students.
6. Engaging in behavior that materially disrupts school or District operations.
7. Violation of criminal law that materially disrupts school or District operations or is detrimental to the welfare or safety of one or more other students, District employees or other persons.
8. Intentional injury, serious bodily injury, or death to one or more District employees, students or other persons.
9. Threats of serious bodily injury or death to one or more District employees, students or other persons; threats to damage or destroy District property or the property of one or more District employees, students or other persons; and threats to disrupt school or District operations.
10. Repeated interference with a school's ability to provide educational opportunities

to other students.

11. Making a false accusation of criminal activity against an employee of the District to law enforcement authorities or District officials or staff.
12. Being declared a habitually disruptive student.
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 - For purposes of this Policy, “habitually disruptive student” under Colorado law, means a child who has caused a material and substantial disruption three times or more during the course of the school year on school grounds, in a school vehicle or at a school activity or sanctioned event. Any student who is enrolled in a public school may be subject to being declared a habitually disruptive student.
 - The student and the parent/caregiver shall have been notified in writing of each disruption counted toward declaring the student as habitually disruptive and the student and parent/caregiver shall have been notified in writing and by telephone or other means at the home or the place of employment of the parent/caregiver of the definition of “habitually disruptive student.”

According to C.R.S. 22-33-106(2), subject to the District's responsibilities under the Exceptional Children's Education Act and applicable federal law, the following may be grounds for expulsion from or denial of admission to a public school or diversion to an appropriate alternate program:

1. Physical or mental disability such that the child cannot reasonably benefit from the programs available.
2. Physical or mental disability or disease that makes it so the child with the disability or disease cannot attend without harming the welfare of other students.

Students in Preschool Through Second Grade

Students in preschool, kindergarten, first grade, or second grade may only be subject to suspension or expulsion for engaging in the following types of conduct while on District property, in a District vehicle, at a District or school-sponsored activity or event, or off District property when such conduct has a reasonable connection to school or any District curricular or non-curricular activity or event:

1. Violation of the District's policy on student conduct involving weapons.
2. Violation of the District's policy on student conduct involving drugs and alcohol.
3. Conduct that endangers the health or safety of others.

The above conduct is only grounds for suspension or expulsion if the District determines that failure to remove the student from the school building would create a safety threat

that cannot otherwise be addressed and the District has considered the factors set forth in District Policy JKD/JKE – Suspension/Expulsion of Students.

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C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (Conduct and Discipline Code-Definitions)

C.R.S. 22-33-106 (Grounds for Suspension, Expulsion, and Denial of Admission)

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