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NOTIFICATION REGARDING EXPULSION

The Fresno Unified School District Board of Education has established policies and standards of behavior which promote learning and protect the safety and well-being of students. When these policies are violated, it may be necessary to suspend or expel a student. Board Policy 5144.1 aligns with California Education Code in its approach to serious offenses.

The following offenses will warrant a mandatory referral for expulsion:

1. Possessing, selling, or otherwise furnishing a firearm
2. Brandishing a knife at another person
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance
4. Committing sexual assault (including attempt) or sexual battery
5. Possessing an explosive

The offenses listed above will not be tolerated in school buildings, school grounds, and buses, going to or coming from lunch or school or at any school-sponsored activity.

For all other violations, the principal shall have the discretion to recommend expulsion of a student. If expulsion is recommended, the Board shall order the student expelled only if it makes a finding of either or both of the following:

1. That other means of correction are not feasible or have repeatedly failed to bring about proper conduct;
2. That due to the nature of the violation, the presence of the student causes a continuing danger to the physical safety of the student or others

Students who violate applicable Penal Codes, referenced by Board policy, will be referred to the appropriate law enforcement authorities.

This Board policy is publicized and each student and parent/guardian will be asked to sign a copy of the Notification Regarding Expulsion. If the letter is not returned to the school, the policy still applies to all students.

I have read the Notification Regarding Expulsion and I have discussed it with my school-age child(ren). We understand the intent of the policy, and the possible consequences associated with violation of the policy.

Parent/Guardian Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Student Name

Student Signature