

FILE: JKD

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STUDENT SUSPENSION

The Board of Education delegates to the Principal authority to suspend disobedient and disorderly students for a period not to exceed ten (10) school days.

Prior to the suspension, except as hereinafter provided:

- A. The student shall be given oral or written notice of the charge(s) against him/her;
- B. The student shall be given an explanation of the evidence forming the basis for those charge(s); and
- C. The student shall be given an opportunity to present his/her side of the case.

However, students whose presence poses a continuing danger to persons or property or an ongoing threat of disrupting the academic process may be immediately removed from school; in such cases, the notice of charges, explanation of evidence, and the student's opportunity to explain his/her side of the story, shall be arranged as soon as practicable after removal of the student from school.

The parent or guardian shall be notified of suspension of his/her son or daughter by telephone immediately, if possible, and/or by written notice, which shall be dispatched by mail on the day of the suspension. A copy of the written notice shall be sent to the Office of the Superintendent of Schools

Legal Reference: Title 20A MRSA Sec. 1001

Cross Reference: JFA - Student Due Process Rights