

## **EXPULSION OF STUDENTS**

No student shall be expelled from school except by action of the Board. Following a proper investigation, the Board shall expel a student, if found necessary for the peace and usefulness of the school, as provided in 20-A MRSA § 1001(9) and (9A).

The Board also has the authority to readmit an expelled student upon satisfactory evidence that the behavior which caused the student to be expelled will not likely recur.

### **Notice of Expulsion Hearing**

Before an expulsion hearing, the Superintendent shall:

- A. Provide a written notice to the parents/legal guardian and the student, by certified and regular mail, that:
  - 1. Informs them of the date, time and location of the hearing;
  - 2. Provides a description of the incident(s) that resulted in the expulsion hearing;
  - 3. Informs them of their right to review the school's records prior to the hearing;
  - 4. Includes a copy of the Board's expulsion guidelines; and
  - 5. Informs them that the student has the right to an attorney or other representation, and the right to present and cross-examine witnesses.
- B. Invite the parents/legal guardians and the student to a meeting prior to the expulsion hearing to discuss the hearing.

### **Expulsion Hearing and Reentry Guidelines**

The expulsion hearing shall be held in a properly called executive session and may be attended by persons designated by the Superintendent to present information in the case.

The Board has adopted guidelines that outline the hearing process and the procedure for developing and implementing a reentry plan (if applicable).

*Legal Reference:* 20-A MRSA §§ 1001 (8A); (9); (9A); (9C)  
1 MRSA § 405(6)(B)

*Cross Reference:* JKE-R – Expulsion Hearing and Reentry Guidelines  
JIC – Student Code of Conduct  
JICIA – Weapons, Violence, and School Safety  
JICK - Bullying  
JK – Student Discipline  
JKD – Suspension of Students  
JKF – Suspension/Expulsion of Students with Disabilities

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