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5620 EXPULSION

The Board of Education recognizes that expulsion from this district is the most severe sanction that can be imposed upon a student pupil. For the purposes of this policy, "expulsion" means the Board discontinuing the educational services or discontinuing payment of educational services for a general regular education pupil from school pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:37-2.

The Board may expel a general education student from school, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:37-2, pupil only after the Board has provided the procedural due process rights set forth in N.J.A.C. $\frac{6A:16-7.3}{6A:16-7.1(c)}$ and $\frac{7.4}{7.3}$, and as outlined in Policy and Regulation 5610, subsequent to a long-term suspension pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.3; and only after the Board has provided an appropriate educational program or appropriate educational services, based on the criteria set forth under N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.3(f) and as outlined in Regulation 5610. The educational program or service shall be consistent with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 6A:16-9.21 et seq., Alternative Educational Programs, and N.J.A.C. 6A:16-10.2, Home or Out-of-School Instruction for General Education Students, and N.J.A.C. 6A:14-2 et seq., Special Education, Procedural Safeguards and N.J.A.C. 6A:14-4.31 et seq., Special Education, Programs and Instruction, whichever are applicable. The educational services provided, either in school or out-of-school, shall be comparable to those provided in the public schools for students pupils of similar grades and attainments, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:38-25.

An Any appeal of the Board's decision regarding the cessation of the student's pupil's general education program shall be made to the Commissioner of Education in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:6-9 and N.J.A.C. 6A:3-1.3 through 1.17. The Board shall continue to provide an appropriate educational program or appropriate educational services in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.4(a)2 until a final determination has been made on the appeal of the Board's action to expel a student pupil.

The Board shall comply with the mandated pupil removal from general education pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.4. The Board shall follow N.J.A.C. 6A:16-5.5 for pupil removal for firearm offenses, N.J.A.C. 6A:16-5.6 for pupil removal for assaults with weapons offenses, and N.J.A.C. 6A:16-5.7 for pupil removal for assaults on district Board of Education members and employees.



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A student with a disability shall only be expelled from his or her current program in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:14 et seq. An expulsion of a student with a disability from a receiving school shall be handled in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:14 et seq.

N.J.S.A. 18A:37-2

N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.4; 6A:16-7.5 6A:14 et seq.

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