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State Office of Special Education

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES SUSPENSION/EXPULSION-ADMINISTRATORSCHECKLIST			
А.	If the Student will be suspended for <u>10 days or</u> <u>less.</u>	B. If the Student will be suspended for <u>more than 10</u> <u>days</u> (consecutive or non-consecutive for separate incidents).	
The	n the following steps are to be carried out.	Then the following steps are to be carried out.	
Ste	p 1	Step 1	
1.	Continue with regular disciplinary action procedures	1. Contact parent(s)/guardian(s)	
2.	Contact student parent(s)/guardian(s)	<ol> <li>Confer with Special Education Supervisor or District Director and transmit the following documents:</li> <li>a. Notice of suspension</li> </ol>	
3.	Provide access to the general education curriculum to student to the extent of services that are provided to non- disabled students (i.e. work packets, etc.)	<ul> <li>b. Incident Report with photographs (if applicable)</li> <li>c. Hearing Notice</li> <li>3. Consult with appropriate personnel and plan</li> <li>for convisor to be provided to student in the</li> </ul>	
4.	Develop a plan to provide (compensatory make-up special education services) as deemed necessary and appropriate	<ul> <li>for services to be provided to student in the alternate setting</li> <li>4. Transmit the following documents to <i>student parent(s)/or guardian(s)</i> and <i>student files</i> in the District Office of Special Education <ul> <li>a. Procedural Safeguards</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
5.	Discuss the need to initiate/develop/review Functional Behavior Assessment(FBA) /Behavior Intervention Plan(BIP) for the student in question	<ul> <li>b. Invitation to Manifestation Meeting</li> <li>c. Notice of Suspension</li> <li>d. Hearing Notice</li> </ul>	
		Step 2	
<b><u>STOP</u></b> If this is a suspension for more than 10 days (consecutive or non-consecutive for separate incidents). Please refer to <b>Letter B</b>		Schedule/conduct Manifestation meeting within <i>ten</i> (10) school days of the disciplinary action	
		The following documents will be submitted by District Office of Special Education to be placed in student school files:	
		Manifestation Determination Form	

Step 3
If the IEP team Determined that the Behavior is a Manifestation of the Child's Disability then the following events should occur:
<ol> <li>FBA/BIP developed or current BIP reviewed by <i>IEP team</i> and modify to address the behavior in question</li> <li>Return child to current or previous education placement unless the parent(s) or guardian(s) agrees to change of placement as part of the modification of BIP</li> <li>Actions taken to rectify IEP non-compliance (If determined as reason for manifestation)</li> </ol>
Step 4
If the IEP Team Determined Behavior is NOT a Manifestation of the Child's Disability, then the following events should occur:
<ol> <li>Disciplinary Action Continued (Long term suspension/or expulsion/ 45 day interim alternative educational setting)</li> <li>IEPmeeting held to reflect change of</li> </ol>
<ul> <li>placement</li> <li>Services setupforstudenttocontinuetomake progressonIEPgoals</li> <li>FBA/BIP developed and designed to prevent</li> </ul>
behaviorfromreoccurring Special Circumstances (controlled substance, illegal drugs/controlled substance, seriously bodily injury and Weapons). [34 CFR 300.530(g)(1)-(3)]
School personnel may remove a student to an interim alternative educational setting for not more than 45 school days without regard to whether the behavior is determined to be a manifestation of the child's disability, if the child: carries a weapon to or possesses a weapon at school, on school premises, or to or at a school function under the jurisdiction of a State educational agency (SEA) or a local educational agency (LEA); knowingly possesses or uses illegal drugs, or sells

	or solicits the sale of a controlled substance, while at school, <u>on school premises</u> , <u>or to or at a school function</u> under the jurisdiction of an SEA or an LEA; or, <u>has</u> <i>inflicted serious bodily injury upon another person while</i> <i>at school, on school premises, or at a school function</i> <i>under the jurisdiction of an SEA or an LEA</i> . [NOTE: The principal or designee will decide whether to contact law enforcement authorities (VIDE Special Education Rules V.R.] On the date on which the decision is made to make a removal that constitutes a change of placement of a child with a disability because of a violation of a code of student conduct, the Local Education Agency (LEA) <u><b>must notify</b> the parents of that decision, and provide the parents the procedural safeguards notice</u>	
	the parents <b>the procedural safeguards notice</b> described in IDEA (20 USC § 1416 and 34 CFR § 300.504).	
	Parent Appeal: 34 CFR §300.532 (a) General. The parent of a child with a disability who disagrees with any decision regarding placement under §§ 300.530 and 300.531, or the manifestation determination under § 300.530(e), or an LEA that believes that maintaining the current placement of the child is substantially likely to result in injury to the child or others, may appeal the decision by requesting a hearing. The hearing is requested by filing a complaint pursuant to §§300.507 and 300.508(a) and (b).	
cc: Student's cumulative file		
District Office of Special Education student file		
	V.I. Department of Education State Office of Special Education	