

Policy: 9.30

SUBJECT: CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT EXPULSION

READMISSION

Supersedes:

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Approved by: Detroit Board of Education

1.0 Policy

Present Policy

The Board may establish conditions under which an expelled student may petition for readmission. Code of Student Conduct, Article VI (C), P. 6 Expulsion: the permanent denial of the right of the student to attend any school or program operated by the school district. Only the Board of Education may order the expulsion of a student. Although expulsion is usually permanent, the Board may establish conditions under which the student may petition for readmission.

Proposed Policy

The Board has established specific conditions under which an expelled student may petition for readmission to Detroit Public Schools.

2.0 Process

The Board has approved the following conditions for readmission: Upon a recommendation by the General Superintendent to expel a student, the Board's Expulsion Hearing Officer will inform the parent/guardian and student, containing the decision of the Board and outlining the conditions for readmission. A copy will be sent to the Principal. After receipt of the letter the parent/guardian must contact the appropriate administrative unit requesting information on enrollment.

3.0 Conditions

After a period of one year from the date of the incident, the parent/guardian and/or student may submit a petition to the President of the Detroit Board of Education, for readmission to the Detroit Public Schools.

At the time of the request for readmission, the student must:

3.1 Present evidence of satisfactory participation in the appropriate administrative unit. Students may receive academic and counseling services through alternative sources arranged by the parent, however, documentation must be presented and approved by appropriate administrative unit prior to readmission request.

It is mandatory that student present evidence of one hundred hours of involvement with a community service agency/organization. The structured program will be provided through appropriate administrative unit.

- 3.2 Have refrained from visiting in or around a school building, participating in any activity on school property, or attending any school-sponsored event, unless authorized by appropriate administrative unit.
- 3.3 Not have been the subject of any charges in any Juvenile or Criminal Court.

4.0 Readmission Timelines

If the above conditions are met, these procedures will be followed:

Students have the right to have his/her parent and an advisor, who may or may not be an Attorney, present at the time the evidence is submitted and witnesses are questioned.

- 4.1 Central Hearing will be conducted by a designated authority and a recommendation will be submitted to the General Superintendent. However, a student will not be permitted to re-enroll at the school from which he/she was expelled.
 (IF A STUDENT HAS NOT MET ALL REQUIREMENTS, A PANEL CAN GRANT ADDITIONAL TIME FOR THE STUDENT TO MEET STANDARDS.)
- **4.2** A readmission hearing will be convened with the Board's Expulsion Hearing Officer after which a decision will be made regarding readmission.

If the recommendation is to readmit the student, the following will occur at the meeting:

- a. A contractual agreement regarding expected behavior, attendance, and academic progress will be signed by the student/guardian and parent for one year.
- b. A readmission recommendation will be presented at the first Board meeting following the hearing.
- c. A ______ letter will be sent to the Parent/guardian and student via certified mail within five (5) working days of Board action. If the student is readmitted, the Hearing Officer will sign the contractual agreement and forward a copy to the parent/guardian and student with the decision letter.
- 4.3 The parent/guardian and student will be referred to the appropriate Attendance Center for school assignment. Readmission to school will not be allowed after the eighth week of the beginning of the current semester. In the event this happens, the youngster will be assigned to an alternative appropriate administrative unit site pending readmission.
- 4.4 A readmission meeting with the parent/guardian/student, principal, counselor, and/or social worker will be convened at the school to assist the student with the establishment of goals utilizing the contractual agreement signed at the readmission meeting. The student will be placed on probation for one school year with continuous monitoring. The one-year contractual agreement will be placed in the student's records and will be removed after successful completion of the probation period as described in paragraph 6.
- 4.5 The student will not be permitted to transfer to another school during the one-year probationary period. A parent/guardian and/or student appealing this provision must receive approval to transfer from the General Superintendent.
- 4.6 After one year from readmission, a review hearing will be conducted by the General Superintendent/or designee with parent/guardian and student to determine if student had met all of his/her goals.

The General Superintendent/or designee will submit a letter to the appropriate administrative unit with a copy to the school Principal requesting that the student's records be expunged of expulsion.

4.7 An annual progress report on expulsion/readmission cases will be submitted to the Board of Education by July 1 of each year.

Attachments to Policy 9.30: None

See also: None

Legal References: MCLA § 380.1309

Labor Contract References: None