

EXPULSION OF STUDENTS

Expulsion of a student from school is a very serious action which only the Board may decide. A student who has been expelled may not attend any school in the Division.

When a school administrator or designate, following consultation with the Superintendent, determines that suspension of the student is inadequate discipline given the circumstances, the School Administrator or designate may recommend to the Superintendent that the Board be convened for the purpose of hearing a recommendation for expulsion.

The Superintendent shall be responsible for preparing a complete report on the circumstances underlying the alleged need to consider expulsion of the student. This report shall be copied to the full Board and the parents/guardians of the student in advance of the date established for the Board to consider the matter.

The Superintendent shall be responsible to make appropriate arrangements for the Board to hear the recommendation for expulsion in a Committee of the Whole session, and shall communicate the date and time to the members of the Board and to the parents/guardians and/or student in the event that the student is an adult. This notice of the Hearing for Expulsion shall advise of the right of the student, when the student is an adult, and otherwise of the parents/guardians, to make representations for the student, or for the student to be represented by counsel, when the recommendation is considered by the Board. A copy of the report prepared by the Superintendent shall accompany this Notice.

At the Hearing for Expulsion the Board shall be impartial. During the course of the Hearing the parties, the student and or parent/guardian and the School Administrator or designate, teacher(s), Superintendent, and/or their representatives shall be heard. Normally, such Hearings will be held in Committee of the Whole, but may be held in public in some circumstances at the discretion of either the Board or the parent/guardian or student when the student is an adult. In any event, the final decision shall be made in public by the normal majority voting process. Written notification of the Board's decision shall be provided to the parties to the hearing and to the School Administrator or designate and teacher(s) involved with the matter.

If the Board expels a student of compulsory school age, it must ensure that educational programming is made available so long as the student remains of compulsory school age and is entitled to attend a school within the Division under the provisions of The Public Schools Act.

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Although a motion for expulsion is considered to be permanent, the Board may, at its discretion, re-admit a student who has been expelled on satisfactory evidence that the behavior which was the cause of the student being expelled will not likely recur.

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