

## **Suspension/Expulsion of Students**

The Charter Board shall provide due process of law to students, parents/guardians and school personnel through written procedures consistent with law for the suspension or expulsion of students and the denial of admission.

As an alternative to suspension, the administrator or designee at personal discretion may permit the student to remain in school with the consent of the student's teachers if the parent/guardian attends class with the student for a period of time specified by the administrator or designee. If the parent/guardian does not agree or fails to attend class with the student, the student shall be suspended in accordance with the accompanying regulations.

This alternative to suspension shall not be used if expulsion proceedings have been or are about to be initiated or if the administrator or designee determines that the student's presence in school, even if accompanied by a parent/guardian, would be disruptive to the operations of the school or be detrimental to the learning environment.

### **Delegation of Authority**

1. The Charter Board delegates to the administrator or a person designated in writing by the administrator the power to suspend a student for not more than five school days on the grounds stated in C.R.S. 22-33-106 (1)(a), (1)(b), (1)(c), or (1)(e) or not more than 10 school days on the grounds stated in C.R.S. 22-33-106 (1)(d) unless expulsion is mandatory under law (see exhibit coded JKD/JKE-E), but the total period of suspension shall not exceed 25 school days.
2. The Charter Board delegates to the administrator of the charter school the authority to suspend a student, in accordance with C.R.S. 22-33-105, for an additional 10 school days plus up to and including an additional 10 days necessary in order to present the matter to the Charter Board.
3. The Charter Board retains the authority to deny admission to or expel for any period not extending beyond one year any student whom the Charter Board, in accordance with the limitations imposed by Title 22, Article 33, of the Colorado Revised Statutes, shall determine does not qualify for admission to or continued attendance at the charter school.

### **Expulsion for Crimes of Violence**

Whenever charter school officials are notified by appropriate authorities that a student is alleged to have committed an offense that would constitute a crime of violence if committed by an adult a determination shall be made whether proceedings shall be initiated for immediate expulsion. This determination may be made by the Charter Board or its designee.

Alternatively, the Charter Board may determine to wait until the conclusion of court proceedings to consider expulsion, in which case it shall be the responsibility of the charter school to provide an alternative educational program for the student as specified in state law.

## Annual Reports

The Charter Board annually shall report to the state Board of Education the number of students expelled from district schools for disciplinary reasons or for failure to submit certificates of immunization. Expelled students shall not be included in calculating the dropout rate for the charter school.

## Information to Parents

Upon expelling a student, charter school personnel shall provide information to the student's parent or guardian concerning the educational alternatives available to the student during the period of expulsion, including the right of the parent/guardian to request that the charter school provide services during the expulsion. If the parent/guardian chooses to provide a home-based education program for the student, charter school personnel shall assist the parent/guardian in obtaining appropriate curricula for the student if requested by the parent/guardian. The charter school may request help from the district in obtaining materials needed by the parent/guardian.

If a student is expelled for the remainder of the school year, the charter school shall contact the expelled student's parent or guardian at least once every 60 days until the beginning of the next school year to determine whether the child is receiving educational services.

LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 16-11-309 (crime of violence)  
C.R.S. 22-32-109 (1)(w),(x) (I, II)  
C.R.S. Title 22, Article 33  
C.R.S. 25-4-903 (1) (immunization)

CROSS REFS.: ECAC, Vandalism  
GBGB, Staff Personal Security and Safety  
JEA, Compulsory Attendance Ages  
JHD, Exclusions and Exemptions from School Attendance  
JIC, Student Conduct, and subcodes  
JK-2, Discipline of Students with Disabilities  
JKF, Educational Alternatives for Expelled Students

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