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The principal may suspend or recommend expulsion of a student who engages in one or more of the following activities while in or on school property. This includes, but is not limited to, all buildings used for instruction, administration, support services, maintenance, or storage, the grounds surrounding those buildings if the school is authorized to exercise dominion and control over those grounds, all vehicles used by the school for transporting students, workers, visitors, or other persons, or during a school sponsored activity. Students shall not be expelled if the conduct is a manifestation of the child's disability. In circumstances when administration believes a crime has been committed by a student, law enforcement shall be contacted.


When considering appropriate disciplinary consequences, the school shall consider:

1. The age of the student;
2. The discipline history of the student;
3. Whether the student has a disability;
4. The seriousness of the violation;
5. Whether the violation threatened the safety of any student or staff member; and
6. Whether lesser interventions would properly address the violation.

The following may be grounds for suspension or expulsion from a public school:

10	Continued willful disobedience or open and persistent defiance of proper authority, including deliberate refusal to obey a member of the school staff or the use of obscene or profane language or gestures to a member of the staff.
20	Willful destruction or defacement of school property.
25	Possessing or using any explosive or incendiary device, possessing a component of such a device, setting fire to or burning, or attempting to set fire to or burn any person or thing.
30	Behavior on property which is detrimental to the welfare or safety of other students or of school personnel including behavior which creates a threat of physical harm to the child or other children.
35	Behavior off school property which is detrimental to the welfare or safety of other students or of school personnel including behavior which creates a threat of physical harm to the child or other children.
40	Repeated interference with the school's ability to provide educational opportunities to other students.
60	Assault upon a teacher or school employee. A minimum of three days suspension is mandatory. For first and second degree assault see #410.

70	Disorderly conduct toward or harassment of a teacher or school employee. A minimum of three days suspension is mandatory.
80	Making knowingly false allegation of child abuse against a teacher or school employee. A minimum of three days suspension is mandatory.
90	Damage to property of a teacher or school employee which occurs on school premises. A minimum of three days suspension is mandatory.
100	Assault upon another student. For first and second degree assault see #410.
101	Third degree assault, disorderly conduct, or fighting.
110	Hazing, disorderly conduct toward, harassment of another student.
120	Intimidation of or bullying of another student.
130	Discrimination against or any criminal offense against another student.
140	Damage to property of another student.
151	Unauthorized possession, gift, purchase, exchange, distribution, use or intoxication of drugs excluding marijuana.
152	Unauthorized possession, gift, purchase, exchange, distribution, use or intoxication of marijuana.
162	Unauthorized possession, gift, purchase, exchange, distribution, use of marijuana paraphernalia such as smoking devices, scales, syringes, vaporizers, inhalers or any other item containing marijuana residue.
163	Unauthorized possession, gift, purchase, exchange, distribution, use or intoxication of alcohol.
164	Unauthorized possession, gift, purchase, exchange, distribution, use or intoxication of over-the-counter medications.
165	Unauthorized possession, gift, purchase, exchange, distribution, use of drug paraphernalia (other than marijuana, such as smoking devices, scales, syringes, vaporizers, inhalers.
170	Knowingly copying or using the academic work of another and presenting it as his or hers without proper attribution.
180	Deliberate failure to attend classes.
190	Possession of, smoking, or use of any tobacco or nicotine-related product or device that can be used to deliver nicotine to the person inhaling from the device, including but not limited to any electronic cigarette, rolling papers, cigar, cigarillo, pipe, water pipe or hookah pipe or any product applied to the skin.
210	Initiating or participating in false alarms, false notification of alarms, or bomb scares.
220	Appearance or dress that is substantially disruptive to the educational process or constitutes a health or safety hazard.
230	Lying or giving false information, either verbally or in writing, to a school or district employee.
240	Stealing or attempting to steal public or private property.
260	Committing extortion, coercion, or blackmail, including but not limited to, obtaining money or other objects of value from an unwilling person or forcing an individual to act through the use of force or threat of force.
280	Carrying, bringing, using, or possessing any weapon, including any knife, regardless of length of blade in any school building, on school grounds, in any school vehicle, or at any school sponsored activity without express prior authorization from the principal.
285	Carrying, using, actively displaying, or threatening with the use of a firearm facsimile that could reasonably be mistaken for an actual firearm in a school building or on school property.
290	Carrying, bringing, using, pointing, or possessing a laser pointer.
300	Gang-related activity. Law enforcement shall be contacted when any known or suspected gang members are on campus who are not students.
310	Sexual misconduct. For incidents related to rape or other sexual violence see #415 and #416.
320	Misuses of district computers, technology, or violation of district policy JS, Student Use of District Computing Resources and the Internet, including but not limited to, the unauthorized reproduction of school or legal documents, copyright violations, attempts to harm or destroy data of another user, improper use of the internet or electronic mail, vandalism, solicitation, uploading, downloading, or creation of computer viruses, and tampering with operating systems or data.
330	Violation of district policy, regulation, a student's safety plan, or violation of criminal law which has an effect on the school or on the general safety or

	welfare of students or staff.
340	Threats of serious bodily injury or death to one or more district employees or students.
350	Threats to damage or destroy district property or the property of one or more district employees or students.
360	Threats to disrupt school or district operations.
370	Other serious violations, as determined by the school principal.
375	Commission of an act on school grounds that, if committed by an adult, would be considered a felony.
	Violation of the district's policy on dangerous weapons in the schools. A student may be expelled for carrying, bringing, using, or possessing a dangerous weapon without the prior authorization of the school or school district, in accordance with state law. "Dangerous weapons" include:
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A firearm; 2. Any pellet or BB gun or other device, whether operational or not, designed to propel projectiles by spring action or compressed air; 3. A fixed blade knife that exceeds three inches in length; 4. A spring-loaded knife or a pocket knife with a blade exceeding three and one-half inches in length; or 5. Any object, device, instrument, material, or substance, whether animate or inanimate, that is used or intended to be used to inflict death or serious bodily injury.
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	The commission of an act, which, if committed by an adult, would be robbery, as defined by state law.
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	http://www.boarddocs.com/icons/ecblank.gif First degree, second degree, or vehicular assault as defined by state law.
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415	Rape or attempted rape.
416	Sexual violence other than rape.
	Declaration as a habitually disruptive student for which may result in expulsion. For purposes of this code, "habitually disruptive student: means a child who has caused a material and substantial disruption in the classroom, on school grounds, in school vehicles, or at school activities or school sanctioned events three or more times during the school year.
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	Suspension followed by expulsion is mandatory for the following offenses when the behavior occurs in a school building, in or on school property, in school vehicles, at district sponsored activities or events regardless of their location, or off school property, when such conduct has a nexus to school or any district curricular or noncurricular activity or event:
442	The second offense and all subsequent offenses within any three year period for selling alcohol.
443	The second offense and all subsequent offenses within any three year period for selling over-the-counter drugs.
452	The first offense for selling all drugs except marijuana.
453	The first and every subsequent offense for selling marijuana.
455	Any student who brings or possesses a dangerous weapon with intent to threaten, intimidate, or cause physical or emotional harm shall be expelled for each and every offense.
460	Possession of a firearm, whether loaded or unloaded shall result in a one year expulsion, per federal law, unless the superintendent modifies this requirement for a student on a case-by-case basis. Such modifications must be in writing.

CROSS REFERENCES:[JKD/JKE - R, Student Suspension/Expulsion](#)[ECAC, Vandalism](#)[GBGB, Staff Personal Security and Safety](#)[JBB, Harassment of Students](#)[JICF, Secret Societies/Gang Activity and Dress](#)[JK, Student Discipline, and subcodes](#)**LEGAL REFERENCES:**

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Federal Gun-Free Schools Act, 20 U.S.C. 7151(b)(1).

Colorado Revised Statutes §§ 12-22-303(7) (Definition of controlled substance), 18-3-201 (criminal offense definitions), 18-4-201 (offense definitions cont.), 22-32-109.1 (Safe Schools), 22-33-106.1 (Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion).