



## Aberdeen Catholic School System

Student Discipline 008.25

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The School Board has the authority to make reasonable and necessary rules governing the conduct of students in schools. Teacher's, coaches/advisors and school administrators will administer discipline within the guidelines adopted by the School Board. The principal of each school will be responsible for informing both parents and students of the school rules at the opening of the school year. All students will be under the jurisdiction of these rules while in any school or other ACSS buildings, on ACSS property, in ACSS or volunteer vehicles, in school buses and at any school sponsored activity or event.

The teachers have the responsibility to maintain a suitable environment for learning, and the administrators have the responsibility for maintaining and facilitating the educational program. The teachers have the authority to send a student from class to an appropriate school official for cause. The principal has the authority in each school on discipline matters, including the suspension or expulsion of a student. If parents are not satisfied with the discipline proposed for their child, they may appeal to the Dean. If the parents are not satisfied with his/her decision, they may appeal to ACSS School Board.

Coaches and advisors have the responsibility to maintain a suitable environment for learning and activities director has the responsibility for maintaining and facilitating the activities program. The coaches/advisors have the authority to send a student from an activity to an appropriate school official for cause. The activities director has the authority on discipline matters. If parents are not satisfied with the discipline proposed for their child they may appeal to the Dean. If parents wish to appeal the decision of the Dean, they may appeal to the ACSS School Board.

Students shall be afforded the rights of fair procedure or due process. This includes the right to (1) be informed of conduct which could result in disciplinary action against the student; (2) notice of any rule violation; (3) explanation of the evidence supporting the charge; (4) an opportunity to present the student's side of the story; (5) a penalty that is appropriate to the violation.

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