



POLICY 9270-PR
IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURES
STUDENT ASSAULT AND/OR
BATTERY ON STAFF

Effective: June 8, 2017

- I.** All students, parents, guardians, staff, and service providers will be informed of this policy at the beginning of each school year.
- A. The principal will:
1. Make at least three announcements to students at the beginning of the school year.
 2. Publish the information electronically.
 3. Make the information available to all new students.
- B. The Howard County Public School System (HCPSS) will:
1. Publish the information in the Secondary Student Handbook.
 2. Publish the information in the Calendar and Handbook.
 3. Publish the information on the school system website.
- II.** If any student is suspected of being in violation of this policy, the student must be referred to an administrator who will determine if a violation has occurred. The threat assessment process (a process used for determining the level of a threat) may be used as part of the investigation. Depending on the severity of the offense, the administrator or a staff member may contact law enforcement.
- III.** Disciplinary action assigned to a student as a result of an assault and/or battery on a staff member or service provider will be taken in accordance with this policy and Policy 9200 Discipline. For any student receiving special education services or having a 504 plan, procedures in Policy 9200 Discipline Implementation Procedures VIII. will be followed.
- IV.** Consequences for violations of this policy range from a minimum of in-school suspension to a maximum of expulsion.

Expulsion may occur when the Superintendent/Designee has determined that the student's return to school prior to the completion of the expulsion period would pose an imminent threat of serious harm to other students, staff, or others (imminent threat of

serious harm is the likely or immediate danger of negative and significant impact on physical or emotional well-being).

Consequences:

- A. Assault – Minimum of suspension to a maximum of expulsion.
- B. Battery I – Suspension for not more than 45 days.
- C. Battery II
 - 1. First offense – Referral to the Superintendent/Designee for an extended suspension or expulsion.
 - 2. Second offense – Referral to the Superintendent/Designee for an extended suspension or expulsion.
- D. Any student who is expelled or suspended out-of-school is precluded from participation in or attendance at all after-school HCPSS school-related and extracurricular activities held during the period of the suspension or expulsion.
- V. A student who violates this policy will be referred to the school guidance counselor for follow up.
- VI. Any disciplinary action taken against a student who violates this policy will be taken in accordance with this policy and Policy 9200 Discipline.

VII. History

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