

# SUMMARY OF DISCIPLINE POLICY REVISIONS

## July, 2011

### Overview

Session Law 2011-282, ratified on June 23, 2011, extensively changes the State's statutes governing student discipline. It necessitates our revising some existing Board policies and establishing some new Board policies regarding student conduct, short- and long-term suspensions, and other local procedures for student discipline. The legislative changes became effective when they were ratified and apply to all North Carolina school systems beginning with the 2011-12 school year.

### Revisions

The following revisions to local discipline policies are required by the new legislation.

#### **ADD the following new policy to Section B:**

1. Policy BDA, "Hearings Before the Board"

#### **REVISE the following policy in Section G:**

1. Policy GBEAA & GBEAA-R, "Staff Protection"

#### **RESCIND the following policies (and their accompanying regulations and exhibits) from Section J:**

1. Policy JFA, "Student Due Process"
2. Policy JFC, "Student Conduct/Discipline"
3. Policy JGD, "Student Short-Term Suspension"
4. Policy JGDA, "Student Long-Term Suspension"
5. Policy JGDB, "Student Long-Term Suspension- Substance Abuse"
6. Policy JGDC, "Student Long-Term Suspension- Weapons"
7. Policy JGE, "Student Expulsion"
8. Policy JHG, "Reporting Serious Incidents"

#### **ADD the following new policies to Section J:**

1. New: Policy JFA, "Student Discipline Hearing Procedures"
2. Rewritten: Policy JFC, "Student Conduct/Discipline"
3. New: Policy JFCA, "Criminal Behavior"
4. New: Policy JFCB, "Gang-Related Activity"
5. New: Policy JFCL, "Student Sex Offenders"
6. New: Policy JFDA, "School Plan for Management of Student Behavior"
7. New: Policy JFDB, "Parental Involvement in Student Behavior Issues"
8. Rewritten: Policy JGD, "Short-Term Suspension"
9. Rewritten: Policy JGDA, "Long-Term Suspension, 365-Day Suspension, Expulsion"
10. Rewritten: Policy JGDB, "Drugs and Alcohol"
11. Rewritten: Policy JGDC, "Weapons, Bomb Threats, Terrorist Threats, and Clear Threats to Safety"
12. New: Policy JGDD, "Requests for Readmission of Students Suspended for 365 Days or Expelled"
13. New: Policy JP, "Student Discipline Records"
14. New: Policy JQ, "Alternative Learning Schools/Programs"