

**TERRELL COUNTY BOARD POLICY**  
**Expulsion**

**Descriptive Code: JDE**  
**Date: 3/12/2012**  
**Rescinds Code: JDE**  
**Date: 12/9/2002**

Expulsion from school may be imposed only by the Board of Education or Tribunal.

When a student is brought before the Board of Education or tribunal, rights and procedures will do, or cause to be done, the following:

**I. Rights**

1. The hearing before the Board or tribunal must be scheduled within ten (10) days of suspension.
2. The accused student and parent, or guardian, will be furnished a written statement of charges prior to the hearing.
3. The names of witnesses and a written summary of the facts to be introduced in testimony will be provided to the accused student and his/her parent or guardian prior to the hearing.
4. The accused student and parents or guardian will be given written notice of the right to have counsel present at the hearing and to have their witnesses present at the hearing.
5. Each witness will be contacted in writing of the time, date, and place of the hearing and of their required presence.
6. The accused student and parent or guardian will be notified in writing of their right to have the hearing conducted as a closed hearing at the same time they were notified of the scheduled hearing. The accused student, parent or guardian may exercise this election at any time prior to the beginning of the hearing.

**II. Procedures of Hearing**

1. Accused student, parent or guardian and counsel are recognized and seated.
2. Charges are read and applicable Board Policy is cited.
3. Tribunal or Board of Education addresses issues.
4. Appeals from the tribunal are referred to the Board for action and appeal procedure is explained to the student and his/her parent guardian.

**III. Procedure Following Hearing**

1. Written notice is given to the student, parent or guardian, informing them of the tribunal's disposition or Board of Education's disposition.

**Expulsion for Injury to Teacher**

In accordance with state law, it is the policy of the Terrell County Board of Education that a student who commits any act of physical violence resulting in the substantial physical injury to a teacher shall be suspended or expelled from all public school programs, including alternative education programs, for at least the remainder of the school semester.

Whenever events as described in paragraph one occur, the Board shall appoint a tribunal of school officials to hold a disciplinary hearing pursuant to O.C.G.A. 20-2-754 regarding the suspension or expulsion.

No school in this school district may enroll any student who has been suspended or expelled by another local board of education pursuant to the provisions stated in paragraph one. Provided, however, students may be enrolled in an alternative program established under O.C.G.A. 20-2-769.