



HOPEPOINT
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Suspension and Expulsion Policy

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Suspension and Expulsion Policy & Procedures

1. Introduction

HopePoint Christian School takes Suspension and Expulsion very seriously, and will only resort to one of these as a last option after following the HopePoint Christian School Discipline Policy, and having an unsatisfactory response.

2. Procedure

2.1 Investigation

Where a disciplinary issue arises which may result in expulsion or suspension the school will investigate the circumstances surrounding the issue. A member of the school executive may direct the student not to attend school while the investigation takes place. An investigation will include the student being provided with information about the nature of the allegations and being given an opportunity to respond.

2.2 Reviewing Disciplinary Issue

If after receiving the results of the investigation and hearing representations from the student, the member of the executive forms the view that the student should be expelled or suspended, the executive staff member will make a recommendation to that effect to the principal and advise the student and parents/carer that this recommendation has been made.

3. Appeal

The parents/carer or student may appeal against that recommendation to the Principal, setting out the reasons why the principal should not act on the recommendation. Any appeal must be provided to the principal no later than one day after the parents/carer have been advised of the recommendation.

If no appeal is made within the time specified, the principal will decide whether to accept the recommendation and advise the student and parents/carer of the decision.

If the student or parents/carer have lodged an appeal, the principal will consider the recommendations and the reasons provided by the student or parents/carer for not following the recommendation and will decide whether to accept the recommendation of the executive staff member. The principal will then advise the student and parents/carer of the decision.

The decision made by the principal will be final.