



HANDBOOK ADDENDUM

Suspensions – Grades 6-12

Due to operational restraints and required modifications to school and transportation schedules relative to COVID-19, the alternative plan to out-of-school suspension, known as the Alternative Discipline A Positive Turn-around (ADAPT) Program, will be discontinued for the entire 2020-2021 school year or until further notification. Effective for the 2020-21 school year, any student who commits a suspendable offense and is suspended will be required to serve the suspension out of school.

Out-of-school suspensions are considered an unexcused absence; however, students will receive credit for completed classwork and assignments.

- **Suspension Assignment Out of School (Grades 6-12)** is as follows:
 - 1st, 2nd, 3rd suspension – Student is assigned a **3-day** suspension.
 - The 4th suspension shall initiate an expulsion recommendation and applicable proceedings. Students awaiting expulsion hearings shall serve those days in an alternative setting as determined by the school system until the due process hearing procedures have been completed.

- **Fights (Grades 9-12)**
 - Suspension Assignment Out of School is as follows:
 - 1st fight: **3-day** suspension & referral to the CARE Center process
 - 2nd fight: **6-day** suspension & referral to the CARE Center process
 - 3rd fight: **9-day** suspension