

# **605.02 Alternative Education Program**

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## **ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM**

The Superintendent may offer an expelled student an alternative school, class, or educational program; or an alternative education plan in accordance with state statutes and Rule 17. An expelled student may not be required to attend the alternative program. The Superintendent is responsible to arrange and plan for a student's alternative educational program, based on the available resources and student's individual circumstances.

The plan shall (a) specify guidelines and consequences for behaviors which have been identified as preventing the student from achieving the desired benefits from the educational opportunities provided, (b) identify educational objectives that must be achieved in order to receive credits toward graduation, (c) specify the financial resources and community programs available to meet both the educational and behavioral objectives identified, and (d) require the student to attend monthly reviews in order to assess the student's progress toward meeting the specified goals and objectives.

If a district decides not to provide an alternative school, class or educational program for expelled students, or if the expelled student decides not to participate in the alternative offered, the district shall follow the procedures below:

1. A conference shall be called by a school administrator and held to assist the district in the development of a plan with the participation of a parent or a legal guardian, the student, a school representative, and a representative of either a community organization with a mission of assisting young people or a representative of an agency involved with juvenile justice.
2. The plan shall be in writing and adopted by a school administrator and presented to the student and the parent or legal guardian.
3. The plan shall:
  1. Specify guidelines and consequences for behaviors which have been identified as preventing the student from achieving the desired benefits

- from the educational opportunities provided,
2. Identify educational objectives that must be achieved in order to receive credits toward graduation,
  3. Specify the financial resources of the community programs available to meet both the educational and behavioral objects identified, and
  4. Require the student to attend monthly reviews in order to assess the student's progress toward meeting the specified goals and objectives.

Legal Reference:                      NDE Rule 17

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