## **Marion County Board of Education**

Monitoring:

Descriptor Term:

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## **Procedural Due Process**

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Before school authorities administer disciplinary measures, reasonable inquiry shall be made to determine the truth of what happened.<sup>1</sup> The nature of this inquiry will vary in degree with the seriousness of the offense and the consequence attached thereto.<sup>2</sup>

For minor offenses where corrective measures are taken by the classroom teacher, no formal procedure is required. An inquiry into the incident to ensure that the offender is accurately identified, that he understands the nature of the offense, and that he/she knew the consequences of the offense for which he is accused.

For major offenses as defined by the discipline policy, the student shall be advised of the nature of his/her misconduct, questioned about it, and allowed to give an explanation.

Legal References:

- 1. *Ingraham v. Wright*, 430 U.S. 651 (1977)
- 2. Goss v. Lopez, 410 U.S. 565, (1975)
- 3. TCA 49-6-3401(c)(4)(A)

Cross References:

Interrogations and Searches 6.303 Discipline Procedures 6.313 Disciplinary Hearing Authority 6.317