

Elizabethton City Board of Education

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

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5 For minor offenses where corrective measures are taken by the classroom teacher, no formal procedure
6 is required. An inquiry into the incident to ensure that the offender is accurately identified, that he un-
7 derstands the nature of the offense, and that he/she was on notice as to the consequences to which he
8 is subject for the offense is sufficient.

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10 In case of severe offenses where there is a possibility of suspension, the student shall be advised of the
11 nature of his/her misconduct, questioned about it, and allowed to give an explanation.

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13 If the principal determines that the offense is of such nature that the student's continued presence would
14 be detrimental to the school or persons within the school, he/she shall immediately implement the pro-
15 cedures for out-of-school suspension and expulsion that are provided in Board Policy 6.316.³

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

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34 Cross References:
35 Interrogations and Searches 6.303
36 Discipline Procedures 6.313
37 Disciplinary Hearing Authority 6.317

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