

Hardeman County Board of Education

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1 Before school authorities administer disciplinary measures, reasonable inquiry shall be made to determine
2 what happened.¹ The nature of this inquiry will vary in degree with the seriousness of the offense and
3 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
7 understands the nature of the offense, and that he/she knew the consequences of the offense for which
8 he is accused.
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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 refer the case to the disciplinary
15 hearing authority³ when the student has been suspended more than ten (10) school days.
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36 Legal References:

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

Cross References:

- Interrogations and Searches 6.303
- Discipline Procedures 6.313
- Disciplinary Hearing Authority 6.317