

STUDENTS

Emergency Expulsion

A school may immediately remove a student from the student's current school placement, subject to the following requirements:

- (1) Sufficient cause. The school must have sufficient cause to believe that the student's presence poses:
 - (a) An immediate and continuing danger to other students or school personnel; or
 - (b) An immediate and continuing threat of material and substantial disruption of the educational process.
- (2) Determination of immediate and continuing threat of disruption. For purposes of this section, an immediate and continuing threat of material and substantial disruption of the educational process means:
 - (a) The student's behavior results in an extreme disruption of the educational process that creates a substantial barrier to learning for other students across the school day; and
 - (b) School personnel have exhausted reasonable attempts at administering other forms of discipline to support the student in meeting behavioral expectations.
- (3) Time limit. An emergency expulsion may not exceed ten (10) consecutive school days. An emergency expulsion must end or be converted to another form of discipline within ten (10) school days from the start of the emergency expulsion.
- (4) Conversion. If the school converts an emergency expulsion to a suspension or expulsion, the school must:
 - (a) Apply any days that the student was emergency expelled before the conversion to the total length of the suspension or expulsion; and
 - (b) Provide the student and parents/guardians notice and due process.
- (5) Reporting. All emergency expulsions, including the reason the student's presence poses an immediate and continuing danger to other students or school personnel, must be reported to the district superintendent or designee within twenty-four (24) hours after the start of the emergency expulsion.

Legal References: WAC [392-400-295](#) Emergency Expulsion--Limitations
 [392-400-300](#) Emergency Expulsion--Notice of Hearing--Waiver of Hearing Right
 [392-400-305](#) Emergency Expulsion--Prehearing and Hearing Process
 [392-400-455](#) Suspensions & Expulsions – Notice to Student & Parents
 [392-400-480](#) Petition to Extend Expulsion

RCW [28A.600.015](#) Expulsions and Suspensions—Rules Incorporating
Due Process—Short-term and Long-term
Suspensions—Emergency Expulsions—
Discretionary Discipline

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