

Campbell High School

Cobb County School District

"One Team, One Goal: Student Success"

July 29, 2022

Jeanne Walker, Ph. D.
Principal



First Class Mail

[REDACTED]

Re:

[REDACTED]
10th Student ID # [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Pursuant to the outcome of the Manifestation Determination Review Committee's findings that the behavior was not related to the disability [REDACTED] has been suspended for ten (10) school days from September 22, 2021 through October 12, 2021, with a recommendation for an and expulsion for the 2021-2022 school year, first semester of the 2022-2023 school year and allowed to apply to the Alternative Education Program (Ombudsman). During the days of this suspension, if school is not in session due to inclement weather or other reasons, the suspension will be extended to cover any dates missed. Under no circumstances will the actual suspension time be less than the number of school days stated above. **During this suspension, the student is not to participate in or attend any Cobb County school activity on or off campus.**

This action resulted from [REDACTED] violation of Cobb County School District Rule JCDA-R Student Code of Conduct, Section II, Paragraph A, Subsection 1, and Paragraph M, a copy of which is enclosed for your review. On September 21, 2021, Assistant Principal Dr. Jeff Hutson witnessed [REDACTED] exiting a bathroom stall with another student. After speaking with [REDACTED] about his demeanor and conducting an administrative search, [REDACTED] was found to be in possession of a lighter and a vape pen with THC, and he was under the influence of a controlled substance.

Since there is a recommendation for long-term suspension/expulsion, a disciplinary hearing is required unless you complete a hearing waiver form. To waive the hearing, you must complete the enclosed waiver and return it to the school prior to the date of the scheduled discipline hearing. You may only waive the hearing by contacting the Student Support office at 770-426-3340. Otherwise, a student disciplinary hearing will be held whether you and your child are in attendance or not. If you choose to waive the hearing, the recommended discipline will be implemented. The hearing for your child has been scheduled for August 3, 2022 at 10:30 a.m.. The hearing will be held **in Room S103 at the Central Office of the Cobb County Board of Education, 514 Glover Street, Marietta, GA 30060.**

At this hearing the student is entitled to be represented by an advocate of your choice, including an attorney, if so desired. If your child will be represented by an attorney, you must notify the Student Support office at 770-426-3340 no later than 48 hours prior to the hearing so that the District's attorney may be present at the hearing. Additionally, at such a hearing, the student is entitled to subpoena witnesses and to other compulsory process upon request. If you wish to subpoena witnesses, please notify the Student Support office at 770-426-3340 as soon as possible. You are responsible for serving these subpoenas and witnesses should receive their subpoenas at least 24 hours prior to the hearing.

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The student is furthermore entitled to present evidence, to respond to evidence and to examine and cross-examine witnesses. Please be advised that the District Hearing Officer/Panel has the authority to accept, decrease, or increase the recommended discipline for the student, but is required to remain within the Board's Administrative Rules disciplinary maximums and minimums. The maximum discipline for this behavior is permanent expulsion.. The procedures for the hearing are included with this letter.

The witness(es) who may testify for the school are:

1. Vanessa Watkins, Principal of Campbell High School
2. Jeanne Walker, Principal of Cobb Horizon
3. Jeff Hutson, Assistant Principal at Sprayberry High School
4. Ricci Mason, former SRO at Campbell High School
5. Ronald Cross, current SRO at Campbell High School

Please note that class work missed during long-term suspension and expulsion for less than one (1) calendar year is accepted with certain guidelines. Students under long-term suspension and expulsion for less than one (1) calendar year may make up the missed work, but for no more than a total of thirty (30) days per school year. A grade of "0" will be earned on all graded work missed beyond the thirty (30) day limit. It will be the responsibility of the student/parent to pick up the work from the local school, complete the work during the suspension or expulsion and return it to the teachers on the first day the student returns to school following a suspension or expulsion. Failure to pick up work during the suspension or expulsion may result in the student forfeiting the right to make up work during additional suspensions during the school year.

If you have further questions concerning the suspension, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,



Dr. Vanessa Watkins
Principal

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Enclosures: Rule JCDA-R (High School Student Code of Conduct)
Rule JCEB-R (Student Hearing Procedure)
Form JCEB-1 (Student Due Process Hearing Waiver)
Form JCEB-2 (Hearing Procedures)
Rule JDD(1)-R (Suspension/Expulsion of Disabled Students)

pc: Student Support
Support and Services Administrator