Administrative Procedure 311

Students

STUDENT DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE

Background

STEM Collegiate's commitment to a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environment extends to a drug and alcohol-free student population. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs, or the inappropriate use of prescription medications by students will not be tolerated.

Procedures

This administrative procedure applies to all students during any school or school-sponsored activity whether on or off-campus and includes transportation to or from any such activity.

1. Consumption

1.1. If the Principal has reasonable evidence to allege that a student has consumed or is under the influence of alcohol or drugs for non-medicinal use, he/she shall:

1.1.1. take all necessary steps, if any, to ensure the safety and well-being of students and staff;

1.1.2. notify the parents of such student; and

1.1.3. immediately suspend the student from school and school-sponsored activities for a period of between one (1) to five (5) days; or

1.1.4. immediately suspend the student from school and school-sponsored activities for a period in excess of five (5) days with a recommendation to the Board for expulsion.

1.2. Repeat violations shall result in an immediate suspension in excess of five (5) days and a recommendation to the Board for expulsion.

2. Possession

2.1. If a student is found to be in possession of alcoholic beverages, the beverages will be confiscated and destroyed unless the principal is of the opinion that criminal charges ought to be laid. In this case, the superintendent and police shall be contacted, and the alcohol will be turned over to the police.

2.2. If the principal has reasonable evidence to allege that a student is in possession of and inappropriately using or distributing a non-medicinal drug, the superintendent and police shall be contacted immediately. In case, the Principal shall take action consistent with section 1 above after consultation with the superintendent and police, if involved.

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