

Office of School Leadership and Performance
Dr. Michael A. Lewis, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: EXPULSION AND ASSIGNMENT OF STUDENTS TO ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL PROGRAM

COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL, STUDENT, SCHOOL, AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT

LINK TO STRATEGIC

PLAN: SAFE, HEALTHY, AND SUPPORTIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

The Superintendent of Schools can recommend that students be expelled from the regular, specialized centers, and adult programs of Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) and assigned to an alternative school/program for the remainder of the school year and one (1) additional year of attendance pursuant to Florida Statutes, Sections 1003.01(10) and 1006.13(3).

Additionally, pursuant to Florida Statutes, Section 1006.13(3), the Superintendent may, on a case-by-case basis, request that the School Board modify the expulsion requirement when it is in the best interest of the student and the school system. In these instances, the Superintendent can recommend that students receive a modified assignment of less than the maximum permitted by Florida Statutes Section 1003.01(10) with a work-back option.

Under School Board Policy 5610 – *Suspension and Expulsion of Students*, parents/guardians have been duly notified of the recommendation for expulsion, were given an opportunity for a conference with staff, and were advised of the right to a hearing before an impartial hearing examiner.

Additional information regarding these students has been forwarded to the Board under separate cover.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. expel the students specified in supplemental material SM-5 (Grade 11), SM-10 (Grade 10), and SM-14 (Grade 12) furnished under separate cover to School Board members from the regular, specialized centers and adult programs of Miami-Dade County Public Schools. Expulsion assignments to an alternative school/program will be for the maximum time permitted under law, which is the 2024-2025 school year, the 2025 summer session, and the 2025-2026 school year.
2. modify the expulsion for the student specified in supplemental material SM-6 (Grade 5) and SM-8 (Grade 3) furnished under separate cover to School Board members from the regular, specialized centers and adult programs of Miami-Dade County Public Schools and assigned to an alternative school/program for less than the maximum time permitted under law, which is the 2024-2025 school year, the 2025 summer session, and the 2025-2026 school year.
3. provide continuing educational services in an alternative school/program during the term of the expulsion.