

Te Whare Akoranga o Maungawhau

**POLICY** 

## Stand-downs, Suspension & Exclusion

#### Rationale

Removing a child by stand-down, suspension and/or exclusion is an option of last resort available to schools when other interventions have been tried and failed or in circumstances where it is believed that safety may be compromised. Such circumstances would typically include one or more of the following:

- Continual disobedience (regularly or deliberately disregarding rules or refusing to follow instructions) resulting in the potential for harm or danger to staff and/or other students
- Gross misconduct (serious misbehaviour) which is harmful or dangerous to other students
- Behaviour that risks serious harm if the student remains at school

#### Requirements

- When considering the option of stand-down, suspension and/or exclusion, Mt Eden Normal Primary School will act in a fair and flexible way, following all legislative requirements as set out in the <u>Education (Stand-Down, Suspension, Exclusion, and Expulsion)</u> Rules 1999 and the procedures set out in The Ministry of Education's <u>Guidelines For Principals and Board of Trustees on Stand-downs, Suspensions, Exclusions and Expulsions</u>
- At all times, principles of natural justice will be applied

### **Related Policies**

Behaviour Management & Restorative Practice

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# **Policy review details**

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