

**EXPULSION: PRINCIPAL’S AUTHORITY**

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The Principal has the authority to expel a student who is found on school property or at school-sponsored or school-related events, including athletic games, in possession of a dangerous weapon or a controlled substance, or a student who assaults anyone on school property or at school-sponsored or school-related events, including athletic games. This authority is limited by the Federal Special Education Law.

Massachusetts General Law References:

M.G.L. 71:37H – Publication of School Committee Rules and Regulations Relative to the Conduct of Teachers and Students

M.G.L. 71:37H½ – Felony Complaint or Conviction of Student; Suspension; Expulsion; Right to Appeal

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