

**Teacher Authority to Remove Students from Classrooms**

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It is the policy of the Board of Education that the Superintendent shall fully support the authority of principals and teachers to remove a student from the classroom pursuant to Georgia law as cited in § 20-2-738 and § 20-2-751.5(d).

A teacher shall have the authority to manage his or her classroom, discipline students, and refer a student to the principal or designee to maintain discipline in the classroom. Any teacher who has knowledge that a student has exhibited behavior which violates the student code of conduct and repeatedly or substantially interferes with the teacher's ability to communicate effectively with the student in his/her class or with the ability of such student's classmates to learn shall file a report of such behavior with the principal or designee. The principal and teacher shall thereafter follow the procedures established in Georgia law, specifically O.C.G.A. §§ 20-2-737-738.

The Superintendent and/or designee shall ensure that procedures are disseminated as necessary for implementation of this policy and applicable state laws.

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O.C.G.A. 20-2-0751.5 Required provisions for student code of conduct

Rule 160-4-08-.15 Student Discipline

O.C.G.A. 20-2-0737 Reports by teacher of violations of student code of conduct; parental notice

O.C.G.A. 20-2-0738 Authority of teacher to remove student from classroom; procedures

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