

**POLICY SECTION:** Section 5 - **PASTORAL** 

**POLICY NUMBER: 5.04** 

# **SCHOOL EXCLUSION POLICY**

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### The British School of Monaco

# **Exclusion Policy**

The Mission of The British School of Monaco is to provide Monaco families with a British curriculum school that offers a nurturing community and an innovative learning environment, enabling students to evolve into their best authentic selves.

The Vision of The British School of Monaco is to create an exceptional educational environment in which students are nurtured to become authentic individuals, and reflective, resilient and adaptive learners. Our teachers are dedicated to the pursuit of excellence, innovative teaching, and helping students reach their full potential.

The British School of Monaco strongly believes in good discipline as essential to ensure that all students can benefit from the educational and social opportunities that the school offers. The exclusion of a student will only be "used as a last resort in response to a serious breach or persistent breaches of the school's behaviour policy."

The British School of Monaco works hard not to exclude students but to help to support them by constantly reviewing its behaviour management and working with them to help their behaviours. The British School of Monaco has in place a Pastoral Care and Discipline Policy and a Code of Conduct that are shared with parents and discussed with students.

The British School of Monaco treats all students fairly and any decision to exclude will be lawful, reasonable and fair.

The British School of Monaco believes student exclusion is best defined as when a student is not allowed to attend school for either a fixed term or permanently. Pupil exclusion is a sanction that will be used only

as a last resort, as defined in the Code of Conduct, except when an immediate exclusion is the only appropriate action to take.

The British School of Monaco acknowledges that a student will only be excluded following serious breaches of discipline, or if the safety of students and school personnel would be harmed if the student remained in the school. Parents will be informed immediately in writing about a fixed period exclusion.

The British School of Monaco believes that permanent exclusion should be a last resort and will only be used where all other strategies for supporting the student have been exhausted. The British School of Monaco will work hard to ensure behavioural issues are dealt with earlier and more effectively. However, despite the best efforts of The British School of Monaco, it may be necessary to exclude a student to ensure the other students are able to learn in a safe and orderly environment and that the student in question needs more support than we can provide.

Parents will be made aware of their rights that they can appeal against an exclusion to the Governing Body. An independent review panel will deal with all appeals.

#### **AIMS**

- > To only use exclusion as a final resort, as described in the Code of Conduct, except when an immediate exclusion is appropriate.
- > To have in place early intervention systems to deal with persistent bad behaviour.
- > To maintain full-time provision for permanently excluded students.
- > To maintain productive working relationships with parents of students who have been excluded.

## Monitoring the Effectiveness of the Policy

This policy will be reviewed according to the school's policy review schedule or when the need arises by relevant staff, the Principal and the Governing Body, taking account of students' opinions and concerns, and parental views where appropriate.