IDEA & DISCIPLINE:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act provides discipline protections for children who are or may be eligible for IDEA services.

IDEA Eligible Students:

If an IDEA-eligible child violates the student code of conduct, school personnel may remove him/her from the current placement for ten (10) days or less in a school year. Removals totaling ten days or more may require the school to conduct a manifestation determination review, remove your child to an appropriate interim alternate setting, or coordinating with your resident school district to initiate an IDEA evaluation. Additional information regarding these requirements is available upon request.

If you believe your child may be eligible for IDEA services or would like to request an IDEA evaluation:

If, prior to the discipline proceeding, the Laboratory School had no knowledge that the student may be eligible for IDEA services, regular disciplinary procedures will apply to the student. However, if the Laboratory Schools had knowledge that the student may be eligible for IDEA services, the student may be entitled to certain protections in a disciplinary proceeding, including limitations on the amount of time the student can be removed from school. Additional information on when the Laboratory Schools is considered to have knowledge of a disability is available upon request.

You may also request that your child be evaluated for IDEA services. An evaluation requested during the time period in which the student is subjected to disciplinary procedures will be conducted in an expedited manner and the student will remain in the educational placement determined by school authorities pending results of the evaluation. If the student is determined to be a student with a disability based on the evaluation, the student’s home school district must provide appropriate special education and related services.