

STUDENTS

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES – Student Complaints and Grievances

Students have both the right and the responsibility to express school-related concerns and grievances to the administration.

Any student who has a complaint against a teacher shall take the complaint to the teacher. The student(s) may bring his/her parent or an advocate from the school's professional staff to any meeting held to discuss the complaint. An administrator shall initiate no action until a student-teacher conference has been held. If the conference is unsuccessful, a student-teacher-building administrator conference will be held.

Should the complaint/grievance not be settled at the student-teacher-building administrator conference, students have the right to file the complaint with the Director of Alternative Education. If the complaint/grievance is not settled in a conference with the Director of Alternative Education, the complaint/grievance may be continued with the Regional Superintendent of Schools for a final review.

All complaints must be filed within 180 days of occurrence of the problem or issue.

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