

Louisiana R-II School District

FOR YOUR RECORDS

Citizenship Guidelines

- Maintain a record of good citizenship and avoid the unlawful use of drugs and alcohol.
 - Students participating in the A+ Schools Program must maintain a record of “good citizenship” to qualify for post-secondary financial assistance.
 - During the second semester of an A+ student’s senior year, the appropriate principal will complete the Citizenship Eligibility Report and indicate on the form whether or not the student has maintained “good citizenship.”
 - Citizenship violations will result in the following:

A+ Probation

- Any student who receives five (5) or more days of ISS (in-school suspension) during a school year will be placed on probation for the remainder of the year.
- Any student who receives five (5) days of out-of-school suspension during his/her high school career will be placed on probation for a full school year (175 days) following the incident that puts him/her at 5 or more days of out-of-school suspension. If the student commits no more offenses resulting in ISS or out-of-school suspension within the 175 days or if the student graduates, the student will regain good standing in the A+ Program as long as he/she does not incur five (5) or more days of out-of-school suspension for the remainder of his/her high school career.

Immediate Disqualification from the A+ Program

- Any student who receives additional ISS days or out-of-school suspension while on probation for previous ISS or out-of-school suspension will be automatically disqualified from the A+ Schools Program. An appeal process is available for these students.
- Suspension(s) resulting in a ten (10) day or accumulation of ten (10) or more days automatically disqualifies a student from the A+ Program. An appeal process is available for these students.
- The following offenses will result in immediate disqualification from the A+ Schools Program:
 - Possession, use, sale or transfer of alcohol, drugs, narcotics, or any substance represented to be such
 - Possession of drug paraphernalia
 - Assault
 - False fire alarm/bomb threats and misuse of emergency equipment
 - Criminal activity as defined by the Safe Schools Act:
 - ✓ First and second degree murder
 - ✓ Kidnapping
 - ✓ First and second degree assault
 - ✓ Forcible rape and sodomy
 - ✓ First and second degree burglary
 - ✓ Robbery
 - ✓ Distribution of Drugs
 - ✓ First degree arson
 - ✓ Voluntary/involuntary manslaughter
 - ✓ Sexual assault
 - ✓ Felonious restraint
 - ✓ Property damage
 - ✓ Possession of a weapon (under weapon provisions of Chapter 571 Missouri Revised Statutes)
 - ✓ Child molestation

- ✓ Deviate sexual assault
 - ✓ Sexual misconduct involving a child
 - ✓ Sexual abuse
 - ✓ Stealing
- Should violations occur, the A+ Schools Office will notify parents of student's disqualification from the A+ Schools Program.
- Disciplinary decisions regarding a student's record of "good citizenship" may be appealed using the following process:
 - Students/parents will have thirty (30) days from the date of notification of disqualification to appeal a decision that is made dealing with discipline or probation. Anyone making an appeal should use the *A+ Appeal of Citizenship Form* available from the A+ Schools Coordinator.
 - The basis of the appeal must be submitted in writing through the office of the A+ Schools Coordinator. The student/parents may also choose to address the A+ Citizenship Appeals Committee in person.
 - Upon receiving a written appeal, the A+ Schools Coordinator will convene the A+ Citizenship Appeals Committee composed of the following members:
 - Guidance Counselor
 - Disciplining Principal
 - Teacher
 - Central Office Administrator
 - A+ Coordinator (The A+ Coordinator will act as facilitator and a nonvoting member unless the decision results in a tie vote.)
 - The decision of the A+ Citizenship Appeals Committee will be delivered in writing.
 - Further appeals must be made in writing first to the Superintendent and then to the Board of Education.
- Copies of all the forms and communication associated with an appeal will be placed in the student's file.