



May 2020	1	The information relating to exclusions has been extracted from the Behaviour Policy, therefore this is a new policy.	Trustees review of statutory policy.	Gail Webb
May 2021	2	Change from academy to school	Annual review	Gail Webb
July 2022	3	Change from exclusion to suspension and permanent exclusion	2022 DfE guidance on Suspension and Permanent Exclusions. Included information sharing with the Local Authority and the Headteacher of the Virtual School.	Gail Webb

This policy applies to The Priory Learning Trust and all its schools.

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Review date	May 2024



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Good behaviour in schools is essential to ensure that all pupils benefit from the opportunities provided by education.

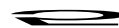
Our Trust aims to ensure that:

The exclusions process is applied fairly and consistently

The exclusions process is understood by governors, staff, parents and pupils

Pupils in school are safe and happy

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A suspension, where a pupil is temporarily removed from the school, is an essential behaviour management tool that should be set out within a school's behaviour policy.

A pupil may be suspended for one or more fixed periods¹⁴ (up to a maximum of 45 school days in a single academic year). A suspension does not have to be for a continuous period.

For the purposes of suspensions, school day is defined as any day on which there is a school session. Therefore, INSET or staff training days do not count as a school day.

The Principal

The Principal will immediately h

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Minutes will be taken of the meeting, and a record of evidence considered kept. The outcome will also be recorded on the pupil's educational record.

The Review Panel will notify, in writing, the principal, parents, the LA and Headteacher of Virtual School of its decision, along with reasons for its decision, without delay.

Where an exclusion is

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Does the exclusion meet any of the following conditions?

It is a permanent exclusion
It is a suspension and the number of days out of school have reached 15 for a term
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↓ Yes

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Have the pupil's parents requested a governing board meeting?

↓ Yes

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The Academy Council must convene a



A panel of 3 or 5 members will be constituted with representatives from each of the categories below. Where a five -member panel is constituted, two members will come from the governor's category and 2 members will come from the Principal category providing that the following criteria are met:

a lay member to chair the panel who has not worked in any school in a paid capacity, disregarding any experience as a school governor or volunteer

Current or former school governors (of a maintained school, members of a PRU management committees and directors of academy trusts) who have served as a governor for at least 12 consecutive months in the last five years, provided they have not been teachers or headteachers during that time.

principals or individuals who have been a headteacher within the last 5 years.

1. A person may not serve as a member of a review panel if they:

are a member of the local authority, if the excluding school is a maintained school or pupil referral unit;

are a director of the academy trust of the school, if the excluding school is an academy;

are the headteacher of the school who has permanently excluded the pupil or anyone who has held this position in the last five years;

are an employee of the local authority/academy trust, or the governing board, of the school who has permanently excluded the pupil (unless they are employed as a headteacher at another school);

have, or at any time have had, any connection with the local authority/academy trust, school, governing board, parents or pupil, or the incident leading to the permanent exclusion, which might reasonably be taken to raise doubts about their impartiality (though an individual must not be taken to have such a connection simply because they are employed by the local authority/academy trust as a headteacher at another school); or

have not had the required