

SED Recommendations & SNS Provisions

SED Safe & Supportive Schools Task Force Recommendations:

- Suspensions should be prohibited for pre-K through third grade students
- Limit suspensions so that it is only used for serious infractions and after a variety of supportive interventions have been exhausted.
- Cap the maximum length of suspensions to 20 days, except where required by federal law
- Ensure suspended students continue to receive academic instruction, are able to take exams, and have a plan for safe reentry to the classroom
- Charter Schools must adopt SED guidance on discipline

Solutions not Suspensions Act (S1040) Provisions:

- Limit the use of suspensions for children in pre-Kindergarten through 3rd grade (except when required by federal law)
- Prohibit the use of suspensions for minor infractions, such as dress code violations or talking back
- Cap the maximum length of suspensions from 180 days to 20 days (except when required by federal law)
- Strengthen due process for students to ensure they have a fair suspension hearing and access to adult representation
- Guarantee suspended students can keep up with instruction through instruction and work in a detailed plan
- Applies to Charter Schools as well as all other Public Schools