

READMISSION AND REINSTATEMENT POLICY AND PROCEDURE

The Governing Board of Magnolia Public Schools (“MPS”) hereby adopts this policy and procedure governing readmission for pupils previously expelled from an MPS charter school or for students expelled from other public schools seeking enrollment at an MPS charter school. A copy of this policy shall be made available to an MPS pupil and the pupil’s parent/guardian at the time an MPS expulsion order is issued. Copies of the policy can also be obtained at the office of each MPS charter school.

As of the date (“readmission eligibility date”) set by the Board’s subcommittee upon a decision to expel, or by the Board of Directors after an appeal upholding a decision to expel, or by another public school, a pupil may be eligible for readmission to an MPS charter school or for admission to an MPS charter school after being expelled from another public school. For pupils expelled from an MPS charter school, at least fifteen (15) school days prior to the readmission eligibility date, the Principal or designee of the MPS charter school that expelled the student will convene a reinstatement conference. The parent/guardian and pupil shall be notified in writing of the date, time, and location of the reinstatement conference at least five (5) school days prior to the conference, which means twenty (20) school days prior to the readmission eligibility date. (For LAUSD-authorized schools: This reinstatement conference must be held even if the student does not wish to reenroll at an MPS charter school, per the Los Angeles Unified School District’s (“LAUSD”) District Required Language that must be included in MPS charter petitions.)

For students expelled from other public schools, the reinstatement conference can be held within ten (10) school days of MPS learning that the student is subject to an expulsion order from another public school.

At the reinstatement conference, the MPS charter school Principal or designee shall review the pupil’s rehabilitation plan to determine (1) whether the provisions of this plan have been met and (2) whether the pupil no longer appears to pose a threat to campus safety, other students, or MPS employees or will not be disruptive to the charter school environment. Hereafter, these criteria are referred to as “reinstatement criteria.” If the pupil wishes to enroll/reenroll in an MPS charter school, the Principal or designee must also determine whether there is capacity at the charter school as of the date of readmission. Capacity shall be based upon the MPS charter school’s current enrollment procedures.

If, after the reinstatement conference, the Principal or designee has determined the pupil has satisfied the reinstatement criteria, but there is not capacity at the MPS charter school or the parent/guardian does not wish to reenroll the pupil at an MPS charter school, the pupil shall be reinstated but shall not be readmitted. The Principal or designee shall notify in writing the parent/guardian and LAUSD (or the charter authorizer, if applicable) that the pupil has satisfied the criteria to be reinstated and the reason the pupil is not being admitted to an MPS charter school. The Principal shall also notify the MPS Board. Should the student wish to be placed on the waiting list, his or her name will be added to the end of the list consistent with the MPS charter school’s current enrollment procedures.

If, after the reinstatement conference, the Principal or designee has determined the pupil has satisfied the reinstatement criteria, and there is capacity at the MPS charter school in which the pupil wishes to reenroll, the Principal or designee shall make a recommendation to the Board to readmit the pupil. If, after the reinstatement conference, the Principal or designee has determined the pupil has not satisfied the reinstatement criteria for any reason, the Principal or designee shall make a recommendation to the Board against the pupil’s readmission. In either instance, the Board shall determine whether to readmit the pupil within ten (10) school days of the reinstatement conference. The Board shall consider, but it is not required to accept, the Principal or designee’s recommendation. The Principal or designee shall notify the parent/guardian and student in writing, by registered

mail, of the Board's decision on readmission within five (5) school days of the Board meeting. If the Board readmits the pupil, the pupil may begin classes on the school day following the date of the Board's decision. The Board's decision is final.

If the parent does not respond to the Charter School's request, or otherwise participate in the reinstatement conference, the Principal or designee shall notify LAUSD (or the charter authorizer, if applicable) within ten (10) school days of the reinstatement conference that the parent/guardian did not participate and, therefore, the MPS charter school cannot determine whether the student has satisfied the terms of the rehabilitation plan.