

Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend

Students

Student Accused of a Non-School Related Criminal Act

A student accused of a non-school related criminal act which does not subject the student to suspension or expulsion pursuant to Policy 4520 is presumed innocent and no academic or disciplinary penalties will necessarily be imposed regarding that alleged criminal act unless the student is proven guilty or admits guilt through the civil law process.

Some circumstances, such as a need to protect the safety and/or the privacy of the student or others, may necessitate such student's removal from the normal academic setting pending the outcome of the civil law process. In this case, the wishes of the student and/or custodial parents/legal guardians will be considered, but the final decision regarding removal is the principal's, after consultation with the pastor and/or Superintendent of Schools. Should such a removal be deemed necessary, a program of home study will be developed and implemented for the student.

See P4520 - Grounds for Suspension or Expulsion of Students