



# Essex County Vocational Schools

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### **THREE SUSPENSION RULE**

**STUDENTS WHO ARE SUSPENDED THREE (3) TIMES DURING HIGH SCHOOL WILL BE RETURNED TO THEIR SENDING SCHOOL.**

1. In-School and Out of school suspensions will be counted for purposes of the “Three Suspension Rule.” According to the Code of Conduct, lesser disciplinary procedures will be used when the nature and severity of the offense warrant such. Systems of progressive discipline will be employed through the I&RS process when appropriate to allow students to modify their unacceptable behavior.
2. A parent conference will be held before any student receiving out of school suspension is allowed return to school. At the meeting the student and their parents will be reminded of The Three Suspension Rule and its implications. The student and parent will receive a contract outlining the discussion.
3. After the second out of school suspension in a year, an Intervention and Referral Service Team Meeting will be held to help the student and parent to change the student’s actions. Again the implications of the third suspension will be reviewed and another contract will be issued.
4. According to federal law, possession of a firearm on school property will result in automatic expulsion. Other offenses such as aggravated assault, arson or sale of drugs or a weapon in school could be such a severe nature that students will be returned to district or expelled without a third out of school suspension.
5. Since refusal to attend Saturday Detention results in a mandatory out of school suspension, it is important that parents encourage their students to comply with Saturday Detention and other less serious disciplinary sanctions.
6. Fighting is not included in the Three Suspension Policy. The Three Suspension Rule will be “null and void” for any student who fights with another North 13<sup>th</sup> Street tech student on or off campus. These students will be immediately returned to their district school.