

**§ 115C-390.11. Expulsion.**

(a) Upon recommendation of the superintendent, a governing body of a public school unit may expel any student 14 years of age or older whose continued presence in school constitutes a clear threat to the safety of other students or school staff. Prior to the expulsion of any student, the governing body shall conduct a hearing to determine whether the student's continued presence in school constitutes a clear threat to the safety of other students or school staff. The student shall be given reasonable notice of the recommendation in accordance with G.S. 115C-390.8(a) and (b), as well as reasonable notice of the time and place of the scheduled hearing. [The following provisions apply:]

- (1) The procedures described in G.S. 115C-390.8(e)(1)-(8) apply to students facing expulsion pursuant to this section, except that the decision to expel a student by the governing body of the public school unit shall be based on clear and convincing evidence that the student's continued presence in school constitutes a clear threat to the safety of other students and school staff.
- (2) A governing body of a public school unit may expel any student subject to G.S. 14-208.18 in accordance with the procedures of this section. Prior to ordering the expulsion of a student, the governing body shall consider whether there are alternative education services that may be offered to the student. As provided by G.S. 14-208.18(f), if the governing body determines that the student shall be provided educational services on school property, the student shall be under the supervision of school personnel at all times.
- (3) At the time a student is expelled under this section, the student shall be provided notice of the right to petition for readmission pursuant to G.S. 115C-390.12.

(b) During the expulsion, the student is not entitled to be present on any property of the public school unit and is not considered a student of the governing body of the public school unit. Nothing in this section shall prevent a governing body from offering access to some type of alternative educational services that can be provided to the student in a manner that does not create safety risks to other students and school staff. (2011-282, s. 2; 2022-74, s. 7.7(i).)