

PSC Solution: TIP0066

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Application: ESS

School Year: All

File Specifications: N/X005 Children with Disabilities (IDEA) Removal to Interim Alternative Educational Setting; N/X006 Children with Disabilities (IDEA) Suspensions/Expulsions; N/X007 Children with Disabilities (IDEA) Reasons for Unilateral Removal; N/X030 Discipline Incidents; N/X136 Students Disciplined

Solution Type: Technical Tip

Title: Criteria for reporting discipline incidents that happen off school property

Issue Description:

States have asked for clarification regarding whether student discipline incidents should be reported in IDEA and non-IDEA files even if they occur off school property.

The general guidance is that regardless of location, if the school/LEA has jurisdiction to discipline the student, that student expulsion should be counted (whether on school property, a school bus, or a school event elsewhere). This is consistent with OSDFS GFSA guidance. Note that this guidance on reporting incidents that occur off school property is the same for both IDEA files and non-IDEA files.

So if the student was removed/suspended/expelled by school personnel, LEA personnel, or a hearing officer, the student would be counted in the *EDFacts* discipline data, regardless of location of the incident. However if the student was removed by police or parent, for instance, the student would not be reported in the *EDFacts* data.