

# Downey Unified School District

## CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

### REQUIRING PARENT ATTENDANCE

AR 4139

A teacher may require the parent/guardian of a pupil suspended from his/her class by the teacher to attend a portion of a school day under the following circumstances and limitations:

1. The suspension must be for committing an obscene act, engaging in habitual profanity or vulgarity, disrupting school activities, or willfully defying authority.
2. Attendance of the parent/guardian shall be limited to the class from which the pupil was suspended.
3. Attendance of the parent/guardian shall be within 10 school days of the student's return to class following the suspension.
4. All students in a teacher's classroom shall be treated uniformly regarding required parent/guardian attendance.
5. The teacher shall conform to the suspension procedures in AR 2430.

If a teacher requires the attendance of the parent/guardian the teacher will notify the principal or designee. The school principal shall arrange a date and time for parent attendance indicating that such attendance is required pursuant to law.

If a parent/guardian does not comply with the required attendance the principal will make a referral to the Director, Pupil Services. The Director, Pupil Services, will contact the parent and report back to the principal within five days.

The parent/guardian shall meet with the principal or designee after completing the classroom visitation and before leaving the campus.

A parent/guardian who claims he/she is unable to comply with the provisions of this policy shall provide such reasons to the Superintendent or designee. In the event the Superintendent agrees that compliance by the parent/guardian is not possible, such attendance is waived. The decision of the Superintendent or designee is final.

