

STUDENT DATA ELEMENTS

2025-26



Data Element Number: **197231**

Data Element Name: **Zero-Tolerance: Expulsions**

A code indicating whether or not the student was removed from the school setting for an extended length of time with or without continuing education services due to state or local zero-tolerance policies.

A zero-tolerance policy is a policy that results in mandatory expulsion of any student who commits one or more specified offenses (for example, offenses involving guns, or other weapons, or violence, or similar factors, or combinations of these factors). A policy is considered “zero-tolerance” even if there are some exceptions to the mandatory aspect of the expulsions, such as allowing the chief administering officer of an LEA to modify the expulsion on a case-by-case basis.

Code	Definition/Example
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N No, the student’s expulsion was not due to zero-tolerance policies.

Y Yes, the student’s expulsion was due to zero-tolerance policies.

Z The student was not expelled.

Note: Students coded Y or N must have a code E, F or U on the Discipline/Resultant Action Code element.

Data Element Detailed Information

Length:	1	Use Types:	
Data Type:	Alphabetic	State Reporting:	Yes
Year Implemented:	1112	Local Accountability:	Yes
State Standard:	No	FASTER:	Yes
Required Grades:	PK-12	Migrant Tracking:	No

Applicable Format And Edit

Formats Required:	Edits Required:
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Student Discipline/Resultant Action

2J, 2K

Programs Required: All Programs

Surveys Required:

Survey 2	Yes
Survey 3	Yes
Survey 5	Yes

Appendices: None

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Description of Changes:	
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6/1/2012	Revised definition to include “or” local zero-tolerance policies instead of “and”.
6/1/2011	New Element