

Manifestation Determination Form

Student Name: _____ School: _____

Date: _____ DOB: _____ Grade: _____

Description and date of behavior/incident subject to review:

Step 1: The Individualized Education Program (IEP) team must review:

- All relevant information in the student's file, including the student's IEP.
- Any teacher observations.
- Any relevant information provided by the parents.

Step 2: The IEP team must determine:

- a) If the conduct in question was caused by, or had a direct and substantial relationship to the student's disability; or Yes No
- b) If the conduct in question was the direct result of the school's failure to implement the IEP. Yes No

Step 3: If the IEP team answered answer "Yes" to either (a) or (b) above in Step 2, then the student's behavior is considered a manifestation of the student's disability.

Therefore: The behavior is a manifestation of the student's disability.

If the IEP team answered "No" to (a) and (b) above in Step 2, then the student's behavior is not considered a manifestation of the student's disability.

Therefore: The behavior is not a manifestation of the student's disability.

The following relevant IEP team members are expected to attend: [list names by the titles below]:

Parent name:

Parent name:

Student name:

Special Education Teacher name:

General Education Teacher name:

School District Representative name:

Note to Parent(s): If you do not agree with the team's manifestation determination, you may request an expedited due process hearing, mediation, or a conciliation conference. Please advise the district of your decision.

Resources you may contact for further information about parent rights and procedural safeguards:

- ARC Minnesota (Advocacy for Persons with Developmental Disabilities): 651-523-0823, 1-800-582-5256 www.thearcofminnesota.org
- Minnesota Department of Education: 651-582-8689, TTY: 651-582-8201 <http://education.state.mn.us>
- Minnesota Disability Law Center: 612-334-5970, 1-800-292-4150, TTY: 612-332-4668 www.mndlc.org
- PACER (Parent Advocacy Coalition for Education Rights): 952-838-9000, 800-53-PACER, TTY: 952-838-0190 www.pacer.org