RATIONAL/OBJECTIVE:

The Cobb County School District is dedicated to sound discipline practices in order to provide students in the Cobb County School District an effective and safe learning environment, to promote learning, and to encourage maturity during the school day as well as during all school-related activities. As a consequence of inappropriate student behavior, teachers and/or school administrators may assign before-school or after-school detention. In addition, a regular local high school may exercise the option of Saturday School.

RULE:

A. DETENTION:
   1. Elementary Schools and Middle Schools:
      When elementary and middle school students are required to serve before-school or after-school detention, parents shall be notified in advance by school authorities.
   2. High Schools:
      High school students shall be given one day advanced notice when required to serve before-school or after-school detention.

B. SATURDAY SCHOOL:
   As a consequence of inappropriate student behavior, a regular local high school may exercise the option of Saturday School.
   1. Saturday School is to be used as an alternative disciplinary action.
   2. Eligibility: offenses that do not require a specific mandatory Code of Conduct consequence.
   3. A copy of Form JDB-1 shall be sent home to the parent/guardian to be signed and returned prior to enrollment in the Saturday School Program. If Form JDB-1 is not returned, the school may accept written parental permission for enrollment in the Saturday School Program or verbal parental permission for academic study assignment. This verbal permission must be documented.
   4. Saturday School students shall be constantly, and strictly, supervised. Parents and students shall be made aware of the rules, regulations and consequences. Schools will develop a supervision plan for students removed from the Saturday School Program.
   5. Saturday School students are responsible for bringing adequate and appropriate study materials. If the student/parent/guardian elects to perform local school maintenance activities, written parental permission is required as stated in item 3 above.
   6. The local school shall make the Saturday School personnel assignments. Saturday School personnel will be selected from among the local school's certified staff.
   7. Transportation to and from the Saturday School Program must be provided by the student or parent/guardian.
   8. Students in the Saturday School Program shall remain for four (4) hours per Saturday. Students must be picked up promptly at the end of their assigned time.
   9. The maximum number of students in the Saturday School program daily shall be the local school's decision.

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