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## STATEMENT FROM HAYWOOD COUNTY SCHOOLS REGARDING INCIDENT AT HAYWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

**BROWNSVILLE, TENNESSE, November 3, 2022** — On Wednesday, November 2, a fight occurred at Haywood High School involving several students. During the altercation, a number of students encouraged and incited the fight.

According to School Board Policy 6.313, the students who fought were remanded to the Alternative Learning Center based on the Level IV behavior that was exhibited. According to board policy, a Level IV offense occurs when "misbehavior includes acts which result in violence to another's person or property." Students who were remanded to the ALC will receive content specific work and will not miss any learning opportunities.

Students who were inciting the altercation were suspended out of school for three days based on School Board Policy 6.313 that includes "fighting or attempting to incite a fight." Students who were suspended out of school will have the opportunity to complete any work missed due to the suspension for full credit, and their grades will not be adversely affected because of the suspension should all work be completed.

Safety of students and staff is a priority for Haywood County Schools. Our hope is that students and staff can work together to create an environment that is safe, secure, and conducive to learning.

An investigation is still ongoing and will be completed in the next few days.

