

Freedom of Information – Response – 26991

1. *Please may I request the number of suspensions and permanent exclusions issued in primary and secondary schools over the past 3 years across Suffolk and then across Ipswich Borough.*

Please see the tables below:

Suspensions	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Suffolk Primary Schools	1,318	1,861	1,770
Ipswich Primary Schools	211	289	246
Suffolk Secondary Schools	6,103	7,696	8,599
Ipswich Secondary Schools	1,012	1,673	2,073

Exclusions	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Suffolk Primary Schools	39	44	51
Ipswich Primary Schools	9	12	12
Suffolk Secondary Schools	123	176	179
Ipswich Secondary Schools	25	37	42

2. *Also, if possible are you able to provide data on the number of suspensions and permanent exclusions for students in year 6 and year 7 students over the past 3 years in Suffolk as a whole and Ipswich Borough.*

Please see tables below:

Suspensions	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Suffolk - Year 6	183	255	248
Ipswich - year 6	40	59	37
Suffolk - Year 7	672	1078	1390
Ipswich - Year 7	110	311	472

Exclusions	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Suffolk - Year 6	<5*	7	8
Ipswich - year 6	<5	<5	<5
Suffolk - Year 7	13	25	19
Ipswich - Year 7	<5	7	8

**Please note, data has been suppressed to avoid identification of individuals*

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