

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

STATE OF GEORGIA

C. T.,

Appellant,

vs.

**WHITFIELD COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION,**

Appellee.

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CASE NO. 2008-60

DECISION

This is an appeal by C. T. (Student) from a decision by the Whitfield County Board of Education to uphold the decision of a student disciplinary tribunal to permanently expel him from school after finding him guilty of writing a bomb threat on the wall of the boys' restroom. The Local Board made its decision on March 27, 2008, but the appeal was not filed until May 2, 2008, or 36 days after the Local Board's decision. "O.C.G.A. § 20-2-1160 requires appeals to be filed within 30 days after a local board makes a decision. Since the appeal was not timely filed, the State Board of Education is without jurisdiction to consider the appeal." *Kenisha B. v. Cobb Cnty. Bd. of Educ.*, Case No. 1994-14 (Ga. SBE, May 12, 1994). Accordingly, the appeal is hereby DISMISSED.

This _____ day of August 2008.

William Bradley Bryant
Vice Chairman for Appeals