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RESTRAINT OF STUDENTS

Physical restraint may only be used by Warren County School Board staff for the purpose of behavioral intervention in accordance with this policy and the Virginia Board of Education Regulations Governing the Use of Restraint in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools in Virginia. The School Board encourages the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports to reduce and prevent the need for the use of physical restraint.

The superintendent is responsible for developing procedures to address the requirements of the Board of Education Regulations. Those procedures shall include:

- examples of the positive behavioral interventions and support strategies consistent with the student's rights to be treated with dignity and to be free from abuse that the school division uses to address student behavior, including the appropriate use of effective alternatives to physical restraint;
- a description of initial and advanced training for school personnel that addresses appropriate use of effective alternatives to physical restraint and the proper use of restraint;
- a statement of the circumstances in which physical restraint may be employed, which shall be no less restrictive than that set forth in 8 VAC 20-750-40 and 8 VAC 20-750-50;
- · provisions addressing the
 - notification of parents regarding incidents of physical restraint, including the manner of such notification;
 - documentation of the use of physical restraint;

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 continuous visual monitoring of the use of any physical restraint to ensure the appropriateness of such use and the safety of the student being physically restrained, other students, school personnel, and others. These provisions shall include exceptions for emergency situations in which securing visual monitoring before implementing the physical restraint would, in the reasonable judgment of the school personnel implementing the physical restraint, result in serious physical harm or injury to persons.

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Legal: Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, § 22.1-16, 22.1-78, 22.1-279.1, 22.1-279.1:1.

8 VAC 20-750-40. 8 VAC 20-750-50. 8 VAC 20-750-70.

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