

USE OF PHYSICAL RESTRAINTS

The Board of Education recognizes that students with disabilities sometimes exhibit inappropriate behaviors that impede learning.

Physical Restraint

Staff will not use physical restraint as a substitute for systematic intervention to modify inappropriate behavior. As a last resort, staff who may be called upon to physically restrain a student will be trained on safe and effective ways to do so. Physical restraint may be used only in an emergency where no other approach would be effective in controlling the student's behavior. An administrator should be present, except in cases of extreme emergency.

Training

Training for staff on the policies and procedures related to student management and physical restraint will be provided annually or as needed.

The Director of Special Education will be responsible for implementation and oversight of this policy.

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