

The School Board of Gadsden County

Bylaws & Policies

Unless a specific policy has been amended and the date of the policy was revised is noted at the bottom of that policy, the bylaws and policies of The School Board of Gadsden County were adopted on June 25, 2013, and were in effect beginning June 26, 2013.

2410 - HEALTH SERVICES

The School Board shall cooperate with the county health unit in providing professional medical supervision in all school health matters as required by the School Health Services Act F.S. 381.0056. The Board, the Gadsden County Health Department, and the Department of Children and Families Services shall jointly develop a school health services plan that shall be approved by the Board and the Department of Children and Families Services. The Student/Parent Elementary and Secondary Handbook should be referenced.

The Superintendent shall develop a joint plan with the Gadsden County Health Department and the Department of Children and Families Services and submit it to the Board for approval. The plan is to include but not necessarily be limited to:

- A. the periodic review of student health records for compliance with State statutes;
- B. health inservice to schools and resource persons for individual group-related health issues;
- C. school entry health examinations;
- D. compulsory immunization for school entry;
- E. exemptions from physical examination and/or immunizations;
- F. emergency flip charts for various health procedures;
- G. emergency health care procedures and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) poster;
- H. the administration of medication to students;
- I. parent request for the administration of medication to students;
- J. the care of asthmatic students;
- K. the control of head lice (pediculosis capitis);
- L. emergency injections for insect stings;
- M. notification of a student's chronic health condition;
- N. vision and hearing screening;
- O. students and employees with HIV or AIDS;
- P. confidentiality of students or employees infected with AIDS;

- Q. contaminated materials protection and disposal.

Mental Health Services

Mental health counseling services, case management services, and human and social services may be provided to students at a school site under mutual agreements with community-based public or private agencies. Each service provided shall be on a case-by-case basis with prior written approval of the student's parent or guardian.

The Superintendent shall work to assist schools in providing information to children and families by providing a directory of referral sources for professional mental health services for children and families in need of such services. The following information should be listed in the directory:

- A. information on mental health referral
- B. information on substance abuse referrals
- C. phone numbers and addresses of mental health providers
- D. a copy of the District's release letter for obtaining assistance
- E. additional resource for outpatient/inpatient services
- F. inpatient unit services for District children and adolescents
- G. employee assistance programs and contacts

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