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Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Teams to Remove Students from School Property

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I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to describe the appropriate use of peace officers and crisis teams to physically remove a student with or without an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Individual Accommodation Plan (IAP) from school property.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- A. Minneapolis Public Schools (MPS) is committed to promoting learning environments that are safe for all members of the school community. A safe, secure, and orderly learning environment is a top priority and students, staff, and visitors and guests should be reasonably protected from physical or emotional harm at school locations and during school activities.
- B. All students, including those with disabilities, are subject to the terms of the MPS Citywide Discipline Policy. Specific exceptions for a student with a disability may be set out in that student's Individual Education Program (IEP) or Individual Accommodation Plan (IAP). School site administrators have the responsibility to maintain a safe, secure, and orderly educational environment within which learning can occur. Appropriate corrective action to discipline a student and/or modify a student's behavior shall be taken by school staff when a student's behavior violates the MPS Citywide Discipline Policy.
- C. If a student with or without an IEP or IAP engages in conduct that in the judgment of school personnel endangers or may endanger the health, safety, or property of the student, other students, staff members, or school property, school personnel may, contact "911", or peace officers directly and the student may be physically removed from school property in accordance with this policy and associated regulations.
- D. If the student has an IEP school staff may only use a restrictive procedure, including a physical hold, in an emergency situation where immediate intervention is needed to protect a child or other individuals from physical injury or to prevent serious property damage.

III. RESPONSIBILITIES

The superintendent may adopt regulations deemed necessary to implement this policy.



Legal References:

20 U.S.C. § 1232g *et seq.* (Family Educational Rights and Privacy [FERPA])

20 U.S.C. § 1415(k)(6) (Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 [IDEA])

34 C.F.R. §300.535 (IDEA Regulation Regarding Involvement of Law Enforcement)

Minn. Stat. §13.01, *et seq.* (Minnesota Government Data Practices Act.

Minn. Stat. §§ 121A.40-121A.56 (Minnesota Pupil Fair Dismissal Act

Minn. Stat. §121A.582 (Student Discipline: Reasonable Force)

Minn. Stat. § 121A.55(c) (Policies [for removal of students with IEPs] to be Established)

Minn. Stat. §121A.61 (Discipline and Removal of Students from Class)

Minn. Stat. § 121A.67, subd. 2 (Aversive and Deprivation Procedures)

Minn. Stat. §§ 125A.094 -125A.0942 (Restrictive Procedures for Children with Disabilities)

Minn. Stat. §609.06 (Authorized Use of Force)

Minn. Stat. § 609.379 (Permitted Actions)