

It is the policy of the board that the district maintains a safe learning environment while treating all students with dignity and respect. All students in the district, including those who have an individualized education program (IEP) or plan developed under section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, will remain free from unreasonable restraint and isolation. Under no circumstances will these techniques be used as a form of discipline or punishment.

This policy is intended to address district students. It is not intended to prevent or limit the use of restraint or other reasonable force as necessary with adults or other youth from outside the district as allowed by law.

Use of restraint, isolation, and other forms of reasonable force may only be used on a student when reasonably necessary to control spontaneous behavior that poses an imminent likelihood of serious harm as defined by RCW 28A.600.485 and explained in the procedure accompanying this policy.

The superintendent or a designee will develop procedures to implement this policy and ensure that the district complies with laws governing restraint and isolation of students.

Legal References: RCW 9A.16.020 Use of force — When lawful
 RCW 9A.16.100 Use of force on children — Policy — Actions
 presumed unreasonable
 RCW 28A.150.300 Corporal Punishment Prohibited -
 Adoption of policy
 RCW 28A.155.210 Use of restraint or isolation —
 Requirement for procedures to notify parent or guardian.
 RCW 28A.600.485 - Restraint of students with individualized
 education programs or plans developed under section 504 of
 the rehabilitation act of 1973—Procedures—Summary of
 incidents of isolation or restraint – Publishing to web site [as
 amended by SHB 1240]
 [RCW 71.05.020 Definitions](#)
 [WAC 392-172A-01092 Imminent](#)
 [WAC 392-172A-01107 Isolation](#)
 [WAC 392-172A-01109 Likelihood of serious harm](#)
 [WAC 392-172A-01162 Restraint](#)
 [WAC 392-172A-02076 Prohibited practices](#)

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