

GREENBURGH ELEVEN UFSD

POLICY # 5451.1

USE OF EMERGENCY INTERVENTIONS (RESTRAINT)

The Board of Education understands that it may be necessary to apply emergency interventions (also referred to as restraint). Restraint may be necessary when a trained staff member determines that a student is in crisis and all other possible interventions have been exhausted or are inappropriate, and the student is displaying behavior which clearly indicates the intent to inflict physical injury to self or others or to destroy property.

Restraint may not be used as a punishment or as a substitute for systematic behavioral interventions that are designed to change, replace, modify or eliminate a targeted behavior. Mechanical restraint methods and room isolation are prohibited. No child will be confined alone to a locked room for any reason.

The District will provide or arrange training for staff who will then be authorized to use restraint. The amount of training will be no less than the minimum required by the behavioral intervention program then in use in the District. No staff member who has not received such training may use restraint.

The Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to establish regulations and procedures necessary to implement and maintain this policy. Such regulations and procedures will include appropriate requirements for documentation of the use of restraints, and parental notification.

References: 8 NYCRR §§ 200.22(d), 200.15(f)(1).

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