



SCHOOL BOARD OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
School Board Policy Executive Summary
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Policy Number:	2410
Title of Policy:	School Health Services
Cabinet Member:	Christine Moore, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services
Purpose of Revisions:	The purpose of the proposed revisions to the policy is to ensure compliance with all applicable federal and state laws, Florida State Board of Education Rules, Board policies, administrative rules, procedures, and guidelines. In addition, the proposed revisions promote transparency and accountability.
Tentative Schedule:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cabinet – 11/15/21 • Work Session – 12/14/21 • Rule Development Workshop – 1/18/22 • School Board Meeting Information – 1/18/22 • School Board Meeting Approval – 2/8/22 • Effective Date – upon approval
Summary of Proposed Policy Revisions:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These proposed revisions do encompass the suggested language from NEOLA. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revised provisions of school health services • Added a requirement to consult with Mobile Response Team and contact parent for any involuntary mental health exam • Added that BPS would provide water safety and swimming certification information
Specific Authority:	F.S. 381.0056, F.S. 1003.22, F.S. 39.201, F.S. 394.463, F.S. 394.495 (7), F.S. 1002.22 F.S. 1003.225, F.S. 1003.453, F.S. 1011.62, F.A.C. 64D-3.011, F.A.C. 64F-6.002
Next Steps:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revisions to internal procedures • Training for BPS employees regarding revisions to policy and revised procedures

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health information which will be provided by the school health nurses, when necessary, regarding the placement of students in exceptional student programs and the reevaluation at periodic intervals of students placed in such programs;

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a reasonable attempt to notify ~~immediate notification to~~ a student's parent, guardian, or caregiver if the student is removed from school, school transportation, or a school-sponsored activity to be ~~and~~ taken to a receiving facility for an involuntary examination pursuant to F.S. 394.463, including and subject to the requirements and exceptions established under F.S. 1002.20 (3) and F.S. 1002.33 (9), as applicable.

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the school; or the student if the student is 18 years of age or older. The information will be provided electronically or in hard copy and must include local options for age-appropriate water safety courses and swimming lessons that result in a certificate indicating successful completion, including courses and lessons offered for free or at a reduced price.

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2. The School Health Services Plan and the Annual School Health Report will describe the services to be provided, the responsibility for provision of the services, the anticipated expenditures to provide the services, and evidence of cooperative planning by the District, including the School Health Advisory CommitteeSHAC, and the Brevard County Health DepartmentDOH. Each School Health Advisory CommitteeSHAC must, at a minimum, include members who represent the eight (8) component areas of the Coordinated School Health Model as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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 - a. Use available methods of communication to contact the student's parent, guardian, or other known emergency contact including, but not limited to, telephone calls, text messages, e-mails, and voicemail messages following the decision to initiate an involuntary examination of the student;
 - b. Document the method and number of attempts made to contact the student's parent, guardian, or other known emergency contact, and the outcome of each attempt.
4. The principal who successfully notifies any other known emergency contact may share only the information necessary to alert such contact that the parent or caregiver must be contacted. All such information must be in compliance with federal and state law.
5. The principal may delay notification for no more than twenty-four (24) hours after a student is removed if the principal deems the delay to be in the student's best interest and if
 - a. a report has been submitted to the central abuse hotline, pursuant to [F.S. 39.201](#), based upon knowledge or suspicion of abuse, abandonment, or neglect; or
 - b. the principal reasonably believes that such delay is necessary to avoid jeopardizing the health and safety of the student.
6. Upon the receipt of the state required reporting procedure, the Superintendent will annually report to the Florida Department of Education the number of involuntary examinations, as defined in [F.S. 394.455](#), which are initiated at a school, on school transportation, or at a school-sponsored activity.

C. Contact with Mental Health Professionals During a Student Crisis

1. During a student crisis situation, school or law enforcement personnel must make a reasonable attempt to contact a mental health professional who may initiate an involuntary examination pursuant to [F.S. 394.463](#), unless the child poses an imminent danger to themselves or others, before initiating an involuntary examination pursuant to [F.S. 394.463](#). Such contact may be in person or using telehealth as defined in [F.S. 456.47](#). The mental health professional may be available to the District either by contracts or interagency agreements with the managing entity, one or more local community behavioral health providers, or the local mobile response team or be a direct or contracted District employee.

D. Mental Health Services

1. 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. If a parent has requested a private individual or agency to perform these services, the parent and agencies will follow the BPS approval process for approval for outside providers.
2. 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. All schools should reference the Referral Sources for Children and Families Manual for licensed Mental Health Professionals. The following information should be listed in the directory:
 - a. the location of a Referral Sources Manual
 - b. information on mental health referral
 - c. information on substance abuse referrals
 - d. phone numbers and addresses of mental health providers
 - e. a copy of the District's release letter for obtaining assistance
 - f. additional resource for outpatient/inpatient services
 - g. inpatient unit services for District children and adolescents
 - h. employee assistance programs and contacts

E. Water Safety and Swimming Certification

- 1. Beginning with the 2022-2023 school year, each school shall provide information on the important role water safety education courses and swimming lessons play in saving lives to a parent who initially enrolls their child in the school, or the student if the student is 18 years of age or older. The information will be provided electronically or in hard copy and must include local options for age-appropriate water safety courses and swimming lessons that result in a certificate indicating successful completion, including courses and lessons offered for free or at a reduced price.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and update as needed administrative procedures to implement this policy.

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Cross References

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