

KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
AGENDA STATEMENT

No. 11 e.

MEETING OF February 26, 2025

ITEM TITLE:

PUBLIC HEARING - POLICY

Motion to approve revisions to BP 5141.51
At-Risk Youth

REVIEWED BY:

Policy Committee
 Finance

SUBMITTED BY: School Board Policy Committee

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL: Michael Robbins, Superintendent, 907 247 2109

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The School Board Policy Committee is proposing approval of revisions to Board Policy 5141.51.

ISSUE/BACKGROUND:

Board Bylaw 9300 states that "The formulation and adoption of written Board policies shall constitute the basic method by which the Board shall govern the school district." Board Policy 0500 and Board Bylaw 9311 both address the ongoing review of district policies and programs by the School Board. The proposed revisions are in line with AASB suggested policy updates

ATTACHMENTS:

- BP 5141.51 At-Risk Youth (with revisions)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

"I move that the Board of Education **approve revisions to Board Policy 5141.51 At-Risk Youth, in first reading.**"

The School Board believes that, in order to benefit from a learning environment, students must be as free as possible from the dilemma imposed by personal and societal problems. Danger signs for the various at-risk categories must be taken seriously. recognizes that personal, social, economic, and health circumstances of children and families may contribute to students' risk of school failure. District personnel must be concerned for the personal development of students, as well as their academic development. District assessments and evaluations shall be used to identify students performing well below grade-level or at risk of failing to meet district standards.

The Superintendent or designee may investigate and recommend programs ~~which will~~ that address the needs of at-risk youths. At-risk youths include, but are not limited to, those students who abuse drugs or alcohol, are suicidal, engage in self-harm or express suicidal ideation ~~exhibit~~ have serious attendance problems, drop out of school, are abused or neglected disadvantaged children, are experiencing homelessness, or are pregnant or parenting minors.

Program planning should examine, but is not limited, to the following:

1. Classroom learning experiences and the integration of primary prevention programs into the classroom.
2. Staff professional development.
3. District liability.
4. Community resources.
5. Crisis response/intervention teams.
6. Peer counseling.
7. Parent/guardian education.
8. Student Study Teams.
9. Kindergarten through 12 counseling and guidance curriculum.
10. Attendance and policy procedures.
11. Student discipline.
12. Alternative programs.

(cf. 5131.6 - Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco)

(cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse and Neglect)

(cf. 5141.52 - Suicide Prevention)

(cf. 5141.41 - Sexual Abuse, Sexual Assault and Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention)

(cf. 5146 - Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students)

(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention Program)

(cf. 5148 - Child Care)

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