AT-RISK YOUTHS BP 5141.51

Note: This optional policy may be revised or deleted as desired.

The School Board 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 shall investigate and recommend programs that address the needs of at-risk youths. At-risk youths include, but are not limited to, those students who abuse drugs or alcohol, engage in self-harm or express suicidal ideations, have serious attendance problems, drop out of school, are abused or neglected, 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.

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(cf. 5131.6 - Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco)
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(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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