

UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Subject:

ACTION: Emergency Safety Interventions Policy (New)

Agenda item type:

Action Item

Recommended Action:

MOTION FOR THE BOARD: That the Board approve the Emergency Safety Interventions Policy, Draft 2, on second and final reading.

Purpose of Memo:

Staff recommendation

Background:

This new policy establishes the standards and limitations for the use of Emergency Safety Interventions (ESI), including physical restraint and seclusion, in accordance with Utah Code §53G-8-301 and State Board Rule R277-608. It provides a rigorous framework for staff training, immediate parent notification, and strict documentation to ensure that these interventions are used only in cases of immediate danger. The policy reinforces USDB's commitment to student dignity by prohibiting corporal punishment and mechanical, chemical, or prone restraints.

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Attachments:

1. Emergency Safety Interventions Policy Draft 1
2. 10.13 Emergency Safety Interventions - Draft 2 February 2026 Full Board