

Students

Student Support Services

The following student support services may be provided by the Joint Agreement:

1. Health services supervised by a qualified school nurse. The Director or designee may implement procedures to further a healthy school environment and prevent or reduce the spread of disease.
2. Educational and psychological testing services and the services of a school psychologist as needed. In all cases, written permission to administer a psychological examination must be obtained from a student's parent(s)/guardian(s). The results will be given to the parent(s)/guardian(s), with interpretation, as well as to the appropriate professional staff.
3. The services of a school social worker. A student's parent/guardian must consent to regular or continuing services from a social worker.
4. A liaison to facilitate the enrollment and transfer of records of students in the legal custody of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services when enrolling in or changing schools.
5. School counseling services. The Director or designee shall annually inform all school personnel and students 12 years of age and older, in writing, of the availability of counseling without parent/guardian consent under 405 ILCS 5/3-55.

The Director or designee shall develop protocols for responding to students with social, emotional, or mental health needs that impact learning ability. The Joint Agreement, however, assumes no liability for preventing, identifying, or treating such needs.

This policy shall be implemented in a manner consistent with State and federal laws, including the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 42 U.S.C. §12101 *et seq.*

Erin's Law Counseling Options, Assistance, and Intervention

The Director or their designee will ensure that the school's Student Support Committee identifies counseling options for students who are affected by sexual abuse and grooming behaviors, along with Joint Agreement and community-based options for victims of sexual abuse and grooming behaviors to obtain assistance and intervention. Community-based options must include a Children's Advocacy Center and sexual assault crisis center(s) that serve the area of the Joint Agreement, if any.

Article 26A Domestic or Sexual Violence and Parenting Resource Personnel

The Director or designee will ensure that at least one staff member is designated as a resource person (Article 26A Resource Person) for students who are parents, expectant parents, or victims of domestic or sexual violence and offers those services required by 105 ILCS 5/26A. See Board policy 7:255, *Students Who are Parents, Expectant Parents, or Victims of Domestic or Sexual Violence*. The Article 26A Resource Person may be a member of the building's Student Support Committee.

The Director shall ensure that this policy is implemented in a manner consistent with State and federal laws, including the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 42 U.S.C. §12101 *et seq.*, and that it is respectful of student privacy, including that student records are maintained and their confidentiality protected in accordance with Board policy and District procedures.

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/10-23.13(b), 5/10-20.59, 5/21B-25(G), and 5/26A.
405 ILCS 5/, Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code.
405 ILCS 49/, Children’s Mental Health Act.
740 ILCS 110/, Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Confidentiality Act.

CROSS REF.: 6:65 (Student Social and Emotional Development), 6:270 (Guidance and Counseling Program), 7:280 (Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease), 7:340 (Student Records)

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