

Lyon County School District Board Memo

Date: December 17, 2024

To: Board of School Trustees

From: Rachel Stewart, Executive Director Special Services

Re: Revisions to LCSD Policy JGC: Use of Aversive Interventions and Physical and Mechanical Restraints on Students with Disabilities

Recommendation:

That the Board of Trustees approve the revisions to LCSD Policy JGC: Use of Aversive Interventions and Physical and Mechanical Restraints on Students with Disabilities as a first reading

Background Information:

Revisions to Policy JGC are being recommended in order to update it with the correct NRS and specifically state that the Executive Director of Special Services serves as the “designee” of the board of trustees.

NRS Statutes 388.471–515 currently prohibit the use of aversive interventions, physical restraints, and mechanical restraints on students with disabilities in educational settings, with specific exceptions. These statutes aim to ensure the safety of students and staff, provide guidelines on when and how such restraints may be employed, and protect the rights and dignity of students with disabilities. Aversive interventions are strictly prohibited and physical/mechanical restraints are intended as last-resort measures, only to be used in emergency situations when a student’s behavior poses an imminent risk of harm to themselves or others, and under very specific circumstances.

Policy JGC and the Aversive Intervention and Restraint training is completed annually at the start of each year for all staff.

Budget Considerations:

None

Discussed at Previous Meeting:

N/A

Attachment(s):

LCSD Policy JGC: Use of Aversive Interventions and Physical and Mechanical Restraints on Students with Disabilities

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