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**Physical Restraint and Seclusion of Students
And Use of Exclusionary Time Out**

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6 The Madison Board of Education (the “Board”) seeks to foster a safe and positive learning
7 environment for all students. Board employees will restrict the use of physical restraint and
8 seclusion of students to emergency situations, in accordance with this policy and
9 accompanying administrative regulations and applicable law. Physical restraint or seclusion
10 of a student may be necessary in an emergency situation to maintain the safety of the student
11 or another individual. The Board also regulates the use of exclusionary time out in accordance
12 with this policy and accompanying regulations and applicable law.

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14 The Board authorizes the Superintendent or his/her designee to develop and implement
15 administrative regulations in accordance with this policy and applicable law. The Board of
16 Education mandates compliance with this policy and the associated administrative regulations
17 at all times. Violations of this policy and/or associated administrative regulations by a Board
18 staff member or other individual working at the direction of, or under the supervision of, the
19 Board, may result in disciplinary action, up to and including possible termination of
20 employment status and/or termination of contract for services.

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22 Nothing within the associated administrative regulations shall be construed to interfere with
23 the Board’s responsibility to maintain a safe school setting, in accordance with Connecticut
24 General Statutes § 10-220. Under no circumstances shall employees or individuals under the
25 supervision of the Board use corporal punishment with students or physically manage students
26 for purposes of discipline.

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28 Legal References:

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30 Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-76b
31 Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-76d
32 Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-236b
33 Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 53a-18 to 53a-22
34 Reg. Conn. State Agencies. §§ 10-76b-5 to 10-76b-11
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37 Other References:

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39 Restraint and Seclusion: Resource Document, United States Department of Education,
40 available at [http://www2.ed.gov/policy/seclusion/restraints-and-seclusion-](http://www2.ed.gov/policy/seclusion/restraints-and-seclusion-resources.pdf)
41 [resources.pdf](http://www2.ed.gov/policy/seclusion/restraints-and-seclusion-resources.pdf).

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43 Understanding the Laws and Regulations Governing the Use of Restraint and
44 Seclusion, Connecticut State Department of Education (July 2018).

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46 Guidance Related to Recent Legislation Regarding Restraint and Seclusion,
47 Connecticut State Department of Education (Revised, July 2018).

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