



**TO:** School Board Members

**FROM:** Mark Fortman, Director of Operations

**DATE:** June 1, 2026

**SUBJECT:** Administrative Review of Policy 533, Wellness

### **BACKGROUND**

An administrative review of Policy 533, Wellness, has been performed. This policy was last reviewed in June of 2023 and requires a separate triennial review. The district has done that review with the assistance of Dakota County personnel who specialize in that assessment. The results of that review will be shared in a presentation to the School Board. The policy was reviewed against MSBA's model policy and continues to match that language. Based on a review of the policy, no changes are recommended except for the addition of the term "guardians" in multiple locations.

School District 197 reviews its policies on a 3-year cycle unless otherwise required by law. Typically, recommended policy changes are brought to the school board for three readings, with approval at the third reading. However, when the administration is recommending minor or no changes to the policy, it is labeled as an "administrative review." Consistent changes the board has asked to be applied to policies are considered minor. One example is using more inclusive language such as using "parent/guardian" instead of just "parent."

When labeled an "administrative review," the policy is placed on the consent agenda for a single reading with a recommendation to approve the policy as presented. As a reminder, board members always have the opportunity to remove a policy from the consent agenda to discuss it as part of the main agenda.

The policy was reviewed using the 4-way equity test. This policy does not provide specific opportunities for the underserved, underrepresented or disadvantaged, but rather provides for the wellness of all students and staff.

### **RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION**

***BE IT RESOLVED*** by the School Board of Independent School District 197 to approve Policy 533, Wellness, as presented.