

Sec. 1. CONCUSSION RESPONSE POLICY

a) *Policy*

Pineywoods Community Academy shall adopt and implement a policy regarding how to respond to a concussion believed to have been sustained by a student while on school property or participating in a school-sponsored or school-related activity on or off school property.

It is Pineywoods Community Academy's policy to:

1. Immediately remove a student from a school-sponsored or school-related activity if a school employee or volunteer believes the student might have sustained a concussion;
2. Provide notice to the student's parent or guardian or another person with legal authority to make medical decisions for the student of the student's suspected concussion and removal; and
3. Allow the student to return to a school-sponsored or school-related activity only after the requirements under Education Code 38.157(a) have been satisfied.

Education Code 38.173.

b) *Scope*

This Policy does not apply to a concussion believed to have been sustained by a student while participating in an interscholastic athletic activity, including practice and competition, sponsored or sanctioned by:

1. A school district, including a home-rule school district, or a public school, including any school for which a charter has been granted under Chapter 12; or
2. The University Interscholastic League.

Education Code 38.172.

For concussions sustained in interscholastic athletic activities described above, see Board Policy PG-3.506.

Sec. 2. ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS

Pineywoods Community Academy may provide nonmedical academic accommodations to a student diagnosed with a concussion or other brain injury in accordance with the list of accommodations and form developed by the Texas Education Agency (the "Agency").

If Pineywoods Community Academy provides such accommodations, Pineywoods Community

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Academy shall make the form developed by the Agency available to:

1. A school employee as soon as practicable after receiving:
 - a. Notice that a student enrolled in the district has been diagnosed with a concussion or other brain injury; or
 - b. A request from the employee; and
2. A student enrolled in the School or the student's parent or guardian as soon as practicable after receiving:
 - a. Notice that the student has been diagnosed with a concussion or other brain injury; or
 - b. A request from the student or parent or guardian.

Education Code 38.0051.



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