

Health Leadership High School

Restraint and Seclusion Plan – Staff & Parent Summary

This summary is designed to inform staff and parents/guardians of Health Leadership High School's policies regarding the use of restraint and seclusion. These interventions are used only in situations where a student poses an imminent danger of serious physical harm and only when less restrictive options have failed.

When May Restraint or Seclusion Be Used?

- Only when a student's behavior presents an imminent danger of serious physical harm.
- Only when less restrictive interventions are insufficient.
- Never as punishment, discipline, or convenience.

How Are Students Monitored During These Events?

- A staff member must visually monitor the student at all times.
- The intervention stops as soon as the danger is no longer present.

Who Can Use These Techniques?

- Only trained staff may implement restraint or seclusion.
- In emergencies, untrained staff may act if waiting would increase danger.

Safety First

- Techniques must never block breathing or speaking.
- Restraint must be age- and condition-appropriate.

Parent Notification

- Parents will be notified verbally or in writing on the same day.
- If not possible, notice will be given within 24 hours.
- A written report will follow including:
- What led to the behavior
- Description of the behavior and intervention
- Duration of restraint or seclusion

Ongoing Review and Support

- If restraint or seclusion is used more than once in 30 days:
- The team will meet to adjust the student's behavior plan.
- A reintegration strategy will be developed.

Training and Prevention

- Staff are trained in de-escalation, trauma-informed care, and safe physical techniques.
- Our goal is always to prevent the need for restraint or seclusion.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact the school administration.