

West Central School District 49-7

RESTRAINT AND SECLUSION

The West Central School District believes that the school environment should be one in which the care, safety, and welfare of all students and staff members are priorities. Reasonable efforts should be made to prevent the use of restraint and the use of seclusion.

The Superintendent, or designee, shall inform employees of the following expectations regarding student restraint and seclusion:

- 1) The West Central School District will notify the parent or guardian of the student, unless the student is emancipated, of an incident requiring the use of restraint or seclusion. This will be done within the school day if school is in session that day.
- 2) No employee of the West Central School District will use the method of prone restraint, defined as physical pressure applied to any part of the student's body to keep the student in a face down position on the floor or other surface, except when that use is necessary and reasonable in manner and moderate in degree.
- 3) No student will be placed in involuntary confinement in a locked room alone unless there is a clear and present danger.

Policy

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