STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The community and schools recognize that students experience a wide range of problems that affect their performance in school, including problems related to alcohol and other drug use. The district shall provide an assistance program to provide support for students encountering problems that interfere with their educational and personal growth and development.

It is the philosophy of the Board to assist students who experience problems caused by alcohol, or by being in a user/abuser environment. In keeping with this philosophy, the following goals and priorities are established for the Student Assistance Program:

- 1. To assist students in developing proper decision-making skills.
- 2. To provide an atmosphere in which students can express their concerns and problems.
- 3. To develop insight into the nature of the problems students are confronting and to suggest possible coping mechanisms.
- 4. To develop and maintain a referral system to best meet the needs of students.
- 5. To provide a means for teachers to identify students with alcohol, drug or other problems.
- 6. To increase staff awareness of the effects of alcohol and drugs, as well as other adolescent issues.

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LEGAL REF.: Sections 118.125 Wisconsin Statutes 118.126 118.24(2)(f) 118.257 120.13(1) 125.02(8m) 125.037 125.09(2) Chapter 161
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CROSS REF.: 456-Rule, Student Assistance Program Guidelines 443.1, Student Alcohol and Other Drug Use

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