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Student Sports – Concussion, Head Injuries and Sudden Cardiac Arrest

The Board of Directors recognizes that concussions and head injuries are commonly reported injuries in children and adolescents who participate in sports and other recreational activities. Additionally, sudden cardiac arrest has been identified as a risk to athletes during sports. The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for developing procedures to address such injuries and risks consistent with Washington State law. The District will utilize guidelines, information, and forms developed with the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA) and other medically recognized resources to inform and educate coaches, youth athletes, and their parents and/or guardians of the nature and risk of sudden cardiac arrest, concussions or head injuries, including the dangers associated with continuing to play after a concussion or head injury.

Prior to their first use of school facilities, all private nonprofit youth programs must provide a written statement of compliance with this policy in regard to concussion, head injury and sudden cardiac arrest with proof of insurance as required by RCW 4.24.660.

Cross Reference: Policy 4330 Use of School Facilities

Legal References: RCW 28A.600.190 Youth Sports – Concussions and head injury

guidelines – Injured athlete restrictions

RCW 4.24.660 Liability of school districts under contract with

youth programs.

RCW 28A.600.195 Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Act

Management Resources: Policy News, 08-2009 Concussion and Head Injuries Legislation

Policy News, August 2014 Issue Policy News, June 2015 Issue

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