

EMERGENCY SAFETY INTERVENTION REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST (Revised for 2016–17 School Year)

USD Number and Building Name:	
Date Completed:	

Directions: You may use this checklist as a self-assessment to determine whether your building has all required components of emergency safety intervention law in place. Complete the checklist by recording Y for Yes, N for No, and NA for Not Applicable under "In Place?" for each item on the checklist. You should have written or electronic documentation of policies, procedures, or forms for items marked Y on the checklist.

In Place?	Emergency Safety Intervention (ESI) Requirement
	Policy Requirements
	1. The district has developed and implemented written policies to govern the use of emergency safety intervention for all schools and all students. Written policies have been updated to align with current emergency safety intervention statutes and regulations.
	2. All required definitions are included in district emergency safety intervention policies and those definitions conform to the emergency safety intervention statutes and regulations.
	 3. Written policies include requirements that seclusion and physical restraint shall be used only when: Student presents a reasonable and immediate danger of physical harm to such student or others with the present ability to effect such physical harm and Less restrictive alternatives to emergency safety interventions, such as positive behavior interventions support, must be deemed inappropriate or ineffective under the circumstances by the school employee witnessing the student's behavior prior to the use of any emergency safety intervention.
	4. Written policies prohibit use of emergency safety intervention for purposes of discipline, punishment, or for the convenience of a school employee as this does not meet the standard of immediate danger of physical harm.
	5. Written policies states that a student shall not be subjected to an emergency safety intervention if the student is known to have a medical condition that could put the student in mental or physical danger as a result of the



emergency safety intervention. The existence of such medical condition must be indicated in a written statement from the student's licensed health care provider, a copy of which shall be provided to the school and placed in the student's file. Such written statement shall include an explanation of the student's diagnosis, a list of any reasons why an emergency safety intervention would put the student in mental or physical danger and any suggested alternatives to the use of emergency safety interventions. Notwithstanding this, a student may be subjected to an emergency safety intervention, if not subjecting the student to an emergency safety intervention would result in significant physical harm to the student or others.

- 6. Written policies include prohibition of:
 - prone restraint,
 - supine restraint,
 - physical restraint that obstructs the airway of a student,
 - any physical restraint that impacts a student's primary mode of communication,
 - chemical restraint (except as prescribed treatments), or
 - mechanical restraint (except for protective or stabilizing devices ordered by an appropriately licensed person, device used by law enforcement, or safety equipment used to secure students during transportation).
- 7. Written policies include the following requirements for seclusion:
 - When a student is placed in seclusion, a school employee must be able to see and hear the student at all times.
 - All seclusion rooms that have a locking door must be designed to make sure that the lock automatically disengages when the school employee watching the student walks away from the seclusion room, or in cases of emergency, such as fire or severe weather.
 - A seclusion room must be a safe place with proportional and similar characteristics as other rooms where students frequent.
 - A seclusion room must be free of anything that could be a danger to the student and must be well-ventilated and sufficiently lighted.
- 8. Policies include requirement that use of an emergency safety intervention must stop as soon as the immediate danger of physical harm ends.
- 9. Policies are in place for a local dispute resolution process, including:
 - A complaint investigation procedure,
 - A procedure for parents to present written complaints to the local Board of Education (BOE) to initiate complaint investigation by the local BOE,



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	Date and time of intervention,
	Type of intervention,
	 Length of time the intervention was used, and
	 School personnel who participated in or supervised the intervention.
	23. Parents are notified (or the school attempts at least two methods of contact)
	on the same day an emergency safety intervention incident occurs.
	24. Written documentation is provided to a parent no later than the school day following the incident. This written documentation includes a space or an additional form for parents to provide feedback or comments to the school regarding the incident and a statement that invites and strongly encourages parents to schedule a meeting to discuss the incident and how to prevent future use of emergency safety interventions. Email and phone information for the parent to contact the school to schedule an emergency safety
	intervention meeting is also included.
	 25. After the 1st emergency safety intervention incident in a school year with every student, the school sends printed copies, or email upon the parent's request, to the parent no later than the day after the event, including the following information: A copy of the standards of when seclusion or restraint can be used (you could use the district's emergency safety intervention policy) A flyer of the parent's rights under emergency safety intervention law Information about the local dispute resolution process Information to assist parents in navigating the dispute resolution process, including contact information for Families Together and the
	Disability Rights Center of Kansas
	26. After a subsequent emergency safety intervention incident in a school year, the school provides the complete website address where all emergency safety intervention documents listed above are contained.
	27. Parents are notified on the same day that the school is made aware of a law enforcement officer or school resource officer using physical restraint, seclusion, or mechanical restraint with a student.
	Meeting Requirements
	28. If a parent requests a meeting with the school for a student who has an IEP, the school convenes a meeting of the student's IEP team within 10 school days of the incident. The parent will determine whether the student will be invited to this meeting. All required notices for IEP team meetings are followed. At this meeting, the team:
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- Discusses and debriefs the incident,
- Considers whether a functional behavioral assessment (FBA) needs to be conducted or updated, and
- Considers whether a behavior intervention plan (BIP) needs to be developed or updated.
- 29. If a parent requests a meeting with the school for a student who has a 504 plan, the school convenes a meeting of the student 504 team within 10 school days of the incident. The parent will determine whether the student will be invited to this meeting. At this meeting, the team:
 - Discusses and debriefs the incident,
 - Considers whether a FBA needs to be conducted or updated,
 - Considers whether a BIP needs to be conducted or updated, and
 - Considers the need for a special education evaluation.
- 30. If a parent requests a meeting with the school for a student who <u>does not</u> have an IEP or 504 plan, the school convenes a meeting with the following individuals within 10 school days of the incident:
 - Parent,
 - School administrator for the school where the student attends,
 - Teacher of the student,
 - School employee involved in the incident, and
 - Other school employees designated by the school administrator.

The parent will determine whether the student will be invited to this meeting. At this meeting, the group:

- Discusses and debriefs the incident,
- Considers the appropriateness of a referral for a special education evaluation.
- The need for an FBA, and
- The need for a BIP.
- 31. If a parent requests a meeting regarding their child who have an IEP and has been parentally placed in a private school, the meeting will include the parent and the private school. At this meeting, the group:
 - Discusses and debriefs the incident and
 - Considers whether the parent should request an IEP team meeting.

If the parent requests an IEP team meeting, the private school will help facilitate such meeting.

Data Reporting and Review

32. Procedures are established for the collection, maintenance, and periodic review of the use of emergency safety interventions at each school,



 including the documentation collected. 33. Information maintained by the school is compiled and submitted, at least biannually, to the district superintendent or district designee. 34. All incidents of emergency safety interventions, for all students for which this building is responsible regardless of where the student attends, were reported to KSDE through the KIAS web application by the reporting dates set by KSDE. 35. Documentation of the school's or district's use of emergency safety
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interventions has been provided to KSDE upon written request of KSDE.
36. Procedure established for this building to collect emergency safety
interventions documentation on any student for which it is responsible that
attends a different building (whether in- or out-of-district) and then report
those incidents to KSDE.
37. Procedure established for this building to disseminate emergency safety
intervention documentation to a student's responsible building for any
student that attends in this building, but whose responsible building is
elsewhere (whether in- or out-of-district). This documentation was
disseminated in time for the student's responsible building to complete its
reports to KSDE.
38. Any cooperative, interlocal, or independent contractor that serves district
students has provided information to parents regarding the appropriate
venue for investigation and resolution of a complaint.

Questions on Emergency Safety Intervention Requirements?

Please contact Laura Jurgensen at (785) 296-5522 or <u>ljurgensen@ksde.org</u> or Julie Ehler at (785) 296-1944 or jehler@ksde.org

Additional emergency safety intervention information and templates are located at www.ksdetasn.org

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