

## **POLICY 451: Physical Restraint and Seclusion in School Settings**

The Board of Education for School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake) is committed to providing a safe, secure and respectful environment for students and staff. Positive and least restrictive approaches in the provision of student supports are considered best practice. The purpose of these provisions is to promote a response that protects both the individual and others' safety and well-being.

Physical restraint or seclusion is used only in exceptional circumstances where the behaviour of a student poses imminent danger of serious physical harm to self or others and where less restrictive interventions have been ineffective in ending imminent danger of serious physical harm.

District administration will review Policy 451: Physical Restraint and Seclusion in School Settings annually for currency.