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### Definitions

**Behaviour** is the way a person acts or reacts in a particular environment. It is commonly understood that behaviour is communication. It is the impact of the behaviour that dictates whether a behaviour is negative or positive.

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**Physical Restraint** is a measure used to restrict a person's freedom of movement or mobility, in order to secure and maintain the safety of the person or the safety of others.

The prohibition of physical contact with a person is a temporary touching or holding of a person's body without their consent.

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Time-out is only one option along a continuum of behaviour interventions supporting behaviour change. Time-out can be implemented on several different levels, ranging from quiet time in the regular classroom to a time-out room in the school.

Typically, time-out is used in tandem with positive interventions that can maximize student learning and assist in the acquisition of replacement behaviours.

#### **Regulation**

1. Prevention

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a formal positive behaviour support plan describing positive behaviour interventions/supports and conflict de-escalation procedures that are in place.

an emergency or safety plan detailing emergency and safety procedures regarding the use of physical restraint and seclusion, and confirming the formal training of school personnel.

d) It is critical that:

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expected to have been trained in crisis intervention and the safe use of physical restraint and seclusion.

4. Additional Supports

- a) School Based Teams are encouraged to engage the assistance of additional program and resource supports that may be available in their community.
  
- b)

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restraint and seclusion occur within the same classroom; or, physical restraint and seclusion is repeatedly used by an individual.

Reference: Provincial Guidelines Physical Restraint and Seclusions in School Settings (June 2015)	Approved
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Cross-reference: Policy 500 Student Admissions Policy 619 Learning Support Services ICS Safety Plan template	Date(s) Revised: