

125A.0941 DEFINITIONS.

(a) The following terms have the meanings given them.

(b) "Emergency" means a situation where immediate intervention is needed to protect a child or other individual from physical injury or to prevent serious property damage.

(c) "Physical holding" means physical intervention intended to hold a child immobile or limit a child's movement and where body contact is the only source of physical restraint. The term physical holding does not mean physical contact that:

(1) helps a child respond or complete a task;

(2) assists a child without restricting the child's movement;

(3) is needed to administer an authorized health-related service or procedure; or

(4) is needed to physically escort a child when the child does not resist or the child's resistance is minimal.

(d) "Positive behavioral interventions and supports" means interventions and strategies to improve the school environment and teach children the skills to behave appropriately.

(e) "Restrictive procedures" means the use of physical holding or seclusion in an emergency.

(f) "Seclusion" means confining a child alone in a room from which egress is barred.

Removing a child from an activity to a location where the child cannot participate in or observe the activity is not seclusion.

History: 2009 c 96 art 3 s 10

NOTE: This section, as added by Laws 2009, chapter 96, article 3, section 10, is effective August 1, 2011. Laws 2009, chapter 96, article 3, section 10, the effective date.