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Policy Update

To: All Staff

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On September 19, 2017, the Board of Education adopted modifications to the following policies and implementation procedures:

- Policy 5100 Health Services
- Policy 9010 Attendance
- Policy 9100 Educational Programs for Pregnant and Parenting Students Implementation Procedures
- Policy 9200 Student Discipline

Policy 5100 was modified to align with The Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article, §7-401, §7-411, and §7-426.5. The modifications provide guidance to staff regarding the HCPSS Overdose Response Program (ORP). Policy modifications can be found in sections IV.D. and IV.E. Sections I.C. and IV. were added to the implementation procedures.

Policy 9010 was modified to align with The Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article, §7-301.1. Modifications specify that pregnancy and parenting needs for pregnant and parenting students are considered lawful/excused absences. Policy modifications can be found in sections III.G. and IV.G. The modifications to the implementation procedures can be found in sections II.A.6. and III.C.

Policy 9100 Implementation Procedures were also modified to clarify that pregnancy and parenting needs for pregnant and parenting students are considered lawful/excused absences and Section IV.F. and Section V. were added to these implementation procedures to align with The Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article, §7-301.1.

Policy 9200 was modified to align with The Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article, §7-305.1. The modifications provide new guidelines for suspending and expelling students enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 2. The modifications to the policy can be found in sections IV.J. and IV.K. The modifications to the implementation procedures can be found in sections II.E., V.A., VII.A., VIII.A., and IX.A.

These policies in their entirety can be accessed on the HCPSS website at <http://www.hcpss.org/board/policies/>.

Thank you for your attention to these updates.

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