

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

The Charlottesville City School Board may employ school nurses, physicians, physical therapists, occupational therapists, and speech therapists who meet such standards as may be determined by the Board of Education. Subject to the approval of the local appropriating body, a local health department may provide personnel for health services for the school division.

With the exception of school administrative personnel and employees who have the specific duty to deliver health-related services, no licensed instructional employee, instructional aide, or clerical employee shall be disciplined, placed on probation, or dismissed on the basis of such employee's refusal to (i) perform nonemergency health-related services for students or (ii) obtain training in the administration of insulin and glucagon. However, instructional aides and clerical employees may not refuse to dispense oral medications.

For the purposes of this policy, "health-related services" means those activities which, when performed in a health care facility, must be delivered by or under the supervision of a licensed or certified professional.

Contagious Disease

Students shall be excluded from school when suffering from contagious disease. (See Policy JHCC).

Treatment of Medical Emergencies

No treatment of injuries, except first aid, will be given in the schools. Exceptions are made to this policy only in cases of medical necessity. (See Policy JHCD).

Rights of Students

The religious beliefs and constitutional rights of students shall be respected within constraints of legal requirements for health instruction, examination, and treatment.

Telehealth Services and Mental Health Teletherapy Services

The School Board may provide school-based mental health teletherapy services and permit any student to schedule and participate in telehealth services and mental health teletherapy services on school property during regular school hours on the same basis as such students are permitted to schedule and participate in school counseling services.

When telehealth services are offered, the School Board enters into a memorandum of understanding with a nationally recognized school-based telehealth provider in accordance with the model memorandum of understanding developed by the Department of Education and provides guidance relating to the implementation of this telehealth services policy for

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administrative and instructional personnel and posts such guidance on its website at the beginning of each school year.

When school-based telehealth services and mental health teletherapy services are made available, each school where telehealth services are provided shall:

- Designate a location with internet access within the school for students to use for telehealth appointments that ensures the privacy and safety of the student
- Implement measures to ensure the privacy and safety of each student participating in a telehealth appointment

Any student who participates in a telehealth appointment during regular school hours will not be subject to any disciplinary measure or consequences for participating in such an appointment if the student would otherwise be considered absent or excused for the purposes of receiving health care services.

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Cross References:	EBBA	Emergency First Aid, CPR and AED Certified Personnel
	GCPD	Professional Staff Discipline
	GCPF	Suspension of Staff Members
	IJ	Guidance and Counseling Program
	JED	Student Absences/Excuses/Dismissals
	JHCA	Physical Examinations of Students
	JHCB	Student Immunizations
	JHCC	Communicable Diseases
	JHCCA	Blood Borne Contagious or Infectious Diseases
	JHCD	Administering Medicines to Students
	JHH	Suicide Prevention