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MEMORANDUM

To: Members of ISBA's Policy Update Service

From: April Hoy, Research & Policy Coordinator

Re: **Fall 2021/Winter 2022 ISBA Policy Update Release**

In Summer 2021, ISBA tried a new approach to distributing the Policy Update, providing the policies for download from the ISBA website instead of sending them as email attachments. This approach seems to have been a success. So, we will continue providing them this way, sending an email to let you know when a new batch is released.

If you have any difficulties accessing the updates, please reach out to me at april@idsba.org.

2310: This update removes policy language restricting school celebrations with foods that do not comply with the Smart Snacks in Schools requirements as this does not appear to be required currently. **This is an optional update to a required policy.**

3000: This update adds a relevant cross-reference to the policy that provides full details on the required vaccines and information on exemptions. **This is a recommended update to a required policy**

3030: Like the update to 3000, this update adds a cross-reference on to the policy on immunizations and exemptions. The District version also removes a paragraph that was mistakenly included twice. **This is a recommended update to a required policy.**

3031: This update corrects and clarifies that the process of dual enrollment for extracurricular activities described applies for students who are dual enrolled for academic activities as well as those who are enrolled solely for extracurricular activities. **This is an optional update to an optional policy.**

3370: This update adds language noting searches of students should be conducted in the presence of at two staff members. Avoiding situations in which a staff member and a student are alone together is a best practice for avoiding sexual misconduct or the appearance of impropriety. At the request of an ISBA member, we've added language encouraging that searches be conducted by a staff member of the student's gender. **This is an optional update to an optional policy.**

3370P: In addition to minor changes prompted by the edits to 3370, this update adds new language aimed at preventing cases in which law enforcement directs staff to conduct a

search law enforcement would not be permitted to conduct per advice given at a recent Idaho Ed Law Conference. **This is a recommended update to an optional policy.**

3440: These updates align this policy more closely with case law regarding student fees in Idaho by removing language about withholding transcripts from students with unpaid fees. **This is a recommended update to a recommended policy.**

3530: This update includes optional language on making plans for a student to return to school after they were identified as at imminent risk of suicide. It also adds further details on the professional development required for staff involved in addressing suicide. **This is a recommended update to a required policy.**

4210: The only change to this policy is the addition of a reference related to changes to 4210P. **This is an optional update to an optional policy.**

4210P: This edit clarifies what is and is not allowed when it comes to use of District or Charter School facilities by members of the community for political events. **This is a recommended update to a recommended procedure.**

4210F3: This edit adds a requirement for community users of District or Charter School facilities to comply with the Board's policies and clarifies language on the requirement to comply with any public health measures in effect. **This is an optional update to a recommended form.**

7710 – School Districts only: These edits add conditions that require a Material Event Filing and which require analysis to determine whether they require a bond filing. These changes were made at the recommendation of the experts at Hawley Troxell Attorneys and Counselors. **This is a recommended update to a recommended policy.**

Summer Update Follow-Up

The previous quarterly update included updates to the items listed below. If the Board hasn't addressed them yet, they may wish to do so alongside the current updates. This Update can be access on the ISBA website along with the current update.

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2585 & 2585F
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4120F
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Note: Required policies are policies on topics that a law or administrative rule requires a district or charter school to have a policy on. Recommended policies address practices districts and charter schools are required to comply with by law, administrative rule, or other guidance, or which are strongly recommended by one of the attorneys we consult on policy matters. Optional polices mainly describe practices that are not required, but which may be of use to the District or Charter School.