

South Dakota Board of Education
Notice of Public Hearing to Adopt Rules

A public hearing will be held at Western Dakota Technical Institute, Dakota Hall Lecture Room, 800 Mickelson Drive, Rapid City, South Dakota on Monday, March 14, 2016, at 10:30 a.m. MT, to consider the adoption and amendment of proposed rules:

Article 24:44 (emergency safety intervention)

The effect of the rules is to regulate the use of emergency safety intervention (seclusion and restraint) in schools and require schools to adopt policies and procedures regarding administration, notification, training, and reporting.

The reason for adopting the proposed rules is to ensure that emergency safety intervention practices are used only when necessary for the safety of students and staff and are only performed by properly trained staff.

Persons interested in presenting data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may do so by appearing in person at the hearing or by sending them to: South Dakota Department of Education, Attn: Ferne Haddock, 800 Governors Drive, Pierre, South Dakota 57501; or at this website: <https://rules.sd.gov/default.aspx>. Material sent by mail must reach the Department of Education by March 11, 2016 to be considered.

At the hearing, the board will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rules. The board may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the Department of Education at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements must be made. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605) 773-3553.

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained without charge from the South Dakota Department of Education, Attn: Ferne Haddock, 800 Governors Drive, Pierre, South Dakota, 57501 or <http://www.doe.sd.gov/board/index.aspx>.

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