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## PBIS-Seclusion and Restraint Policy

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Here at Ohio Virtual Academy, our focus is always to ensure that the safety and security of our families is a priority. Every effort will be made to prevent the need for the use of seclusion and/or restraint. OHVA maintains that priority that if there is ever an instance in which a student would need to be restrained or secluded to ensure their safety and the safety of others, the policy dictates the manner by which we do that.

As a part of our annual Back to School Professional Development, over 90% of our staff participate in Crisis Prevention and Intervention Training as a part of the state mandated Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports program. The goal of the training, is to develop de-escalation techniques to ensure that staff act appropriately in the event of a student emergency. And although we have not had any serious incidences at any of our testing sites, we feel that it is always better to be proactive.

Here at OHVA, our students continue to be our priority. We will continue to make changes and improvements for the betterment of our families!

Thank you,

Johna McClure,  
Special Programs Director