

# 500 Policy Series Summary of Changes - 2025

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Policy Number	Proposed Changes
<i>Click the policy number to see details</i>	
<a href="#">501</a>	School Weapons Policy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>III. Definitions moved in alphabetical order (MSBA Update)</li> <li>Update to school districts reporting active shooter incidents and threats (MSBA Update)</li> </ul>
<a href="#">503</a>	Student Attendance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>II.B.1. Excused absence process updated - school board members can no longer excuse student absences (MSBA Update)</li> </ul>
<a href="#">506</a>	Student Discipline ( <i>must be reviewed annually</i> ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aligned policy to match MSBA recommendations, grammatical updates (MSBA Update)</li> <li>V.E. Added language for definition of school resource officer (MSBA Update)</li> </ul>
<a href="#">512</a>	School Sponsored Student Publications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MSBA Update Note: Removes language potentially at odds with Minnesota Statutes 121A.80 (Student Journalism; Student Expression) (MSBA Update)</li> </ul>
<a href="#">515</a>	Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>III. D. Update on definition of “directory information” ( MSBA Update)</li> <li>VI.B.23 Updated reference to Minn. Statute for when educational agencies or institutions may share personal student contact information (MSBA Update)</li> <li>VII.A.2, 3, 4 Update on language with parent’s personal contact information as “private data” (MSBA Update)</li> <li>See special note under VII. C “disclosure of directory information to specific parties” (MSBA Update)</li> </ul>
<a href="#">515P</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Updates</li> </ul>
<a href="#">516</a>	Student Medication and Telehealth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Replace “auto-injector” with “delivery systems” (MSBA Update)</li> <li>III.D Updates to Possession and Use of Epinephrine Delivery Systems (MSBA Update)</li> <li>Updates to legal references</li> </ul>
<a href="#">516.5</a>	Overdose Medication <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IV. G. Provides provision for students in grades 9-12 to carry and administer opiate antagonist (MSBA Update)</li> </ul>
<a href="#">524</a>	Internet, Technology, and Cell Phone Acceptable Use and Safety Policy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VI. Update to filter definition, adds “adults” (MSBA Update)</li> </ul>
<a href="#">530</a>	Immunization Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Updates</li> </ul>
<a href="#">533</a>	Wellness <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Superintendent designates School Nurse as the Wellness Coordinator. MDE food service auditor recommendation.</li> </ul>
<a href="#">534</a>	School Meal Policy

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Adds specific language on areas the school can't restrict due to unpaid meal balances.</li><li>• Includes up-to-date information on the Free Schools Meal Program.</li><li>• Adds that a student who has been determined eligible for free and reduced-price lunch must always be served a reimbursable meal even if the student has an outstanding debt. MDE food service auditor recommendation.</li></ul>