



## Written Parental Notification Regarding Confinement in Deer Valley Public Schools

The Arizona Legislature passed House Bill 2476 regarding Confinement in public schools which was incorporated into A.R.S. 15-843.

*Under A.R.S. 15-843, the Superintendent shall ensure that disciplinary policies involving the confinement of pupils left alone in an enclosed space shall include the following:*

*A process for prior written parental notification that confinement may be used for disciplinary purposes that is included in the Pupil's Enrollment Packet or Admission Form.*

*A prpositive, evidencebased, safe, and timely plans and procedures for all students including those who exhibit behaviors that interfere with learning or who place themselves or others in danger. **Deer Valley has chosen not to use confinement for disciplinary purposes as this practice would only be utilized in a crisis situation.** The use of confinement is to be used only in an emergency to protect persons from imminent, serious physical harm. If this were to be the case, parents would be notified within 24 hours of the incident. A de-briefing with the affected staff, parents, and, if appropriate, the student will be contacted within a reasonable amount of time. During the debriefing, a determination must be made regarding the need for a functional behavior assessment to be proactive as to not have the incident occur again.*

### Prohibited uses of confinement in Deer Valley

- Confinement **will not** be used as punishment for violations of school rules, for repetitive behaviors, or because of teacher anger toward the student.
- Confinement **will not** be harsh, severe, or out of proportion with the offense committed and the age and physical condition of the student.
- Confinement **will not** be used

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School Name Printed

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Parent/Guardian Name Printed

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