

Student Health and Safety

- A. **The NJSBA believes** that local boards of education should provide conditions and establish policies that will ensure the health and safety of students.
- B. **The NJSBA believes** that the state or federal governments must provide funding for mandated programs. Further, such funding should not be furnished by the Department of Education, when it would result in the diversion of school aid from educational purposes. Funding for health and safety programs should be received from the State department that has responsibility for the health and safety of the general population of the state. *[Authority: BD 4/94; DA 5/97-SR]*
- C. **The NJSBA believes** that local boards' duty of care for student health and safety should be limited to a reasonable time before and after the school day and off-campus, school-sponsored activities. *[Authority: BD 9/06, DA 5/02-SR, DA 5/07-SR, DA 5/12-SR, DA 5/17-SR, DA 5/22-SR]*

Beliefs Concerning Nutrition

- A. **The NJSBA believes** that there is a strong correlation between early nutritional patterns and physical and mental development, and that good nutrition is a function of both the home and the school environment. The State Department of Education and local districts are encouraged to recognize a joint responsibility to continually provide nutrition education to every child, and to cooperate in identifying student needs and setting priorities in this area.
- B. **The NJSBA believes** that schools have the obligation not only to teach, but also to reinforce and exemplify principles of good nutrition. Districts should initiate or strengthen efforts to educate students, parents and citizens concerning good nutrition practices, and should consider the relationship between poor nutrition and the achievement or behavior of individual students.
- C. **The NJSBA believes** local districts should consider establishing policy on nutrition in food service programs, nutrition education and maintenance of a positive nutrition environment.
- D. **The NJSBA believes** local child study teams should consider the nutritional condition of every child studied, including basic nutritional practices, hypersensitivity, allergies and low blood sugar. *[Authority: DA 6/85-CR (Nutrition); DA 5/97-SR, DA 5/02-SR, DA 5/07-SR, DA 5/12-SR, DA 5/17-SR, DA 5/22-SR]*

School-Based Youth Services Program

The NJSBA believes in cooperative efforts that make school-based youth services programs possible. Such programs, including that operated by the State Department of Human Services, encourage schools and community-based employment, health and human services organizations to work together to establish comprehensive "one-stop shopping" service programs for adolescents. *[Authority: BD 6/87; DA 5/97-SR, DA 5/02-SR, DA 5/07-SR, DA 5/12-SR, DA 5/17-SR, DA 5/22-SR]*

Cross References:	1600	Relations between other entities and the district
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	4147	Employee safety
	5141.2	Illness
	5142	Pupil safety

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