DATE: July 14, 2009

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

FROM: Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

SUBJECT: REPORT ON THE PROPOSED DELETION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 5421 - LIFE-THREATENING MEDICAL EMERGENCIES

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RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education reviews the proposed deletion of Policy 5421. This is the first reading.

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Attachment I – Policy Analysis
Attachment II – Policy 5421
Policy Analysis for
Board of Education Policy 5421
Life Threatening Emergencies

Statement of Issues Addressed By the Proposed Policy
Board of Education Policy 5421 is addressed in Policy 2352, Accidents/Medical Emergencies, and therefore can be deleted.

Cost Analysis and Fiscal Impact on School System
No fiscal impact is anticipated by this deletion.

Relationship to Other Board of Education Policies
Board of Education Policy 2352 – Accidents/Medical Emergencies
Board of Education Policy 4007- General, Health and Safety
Board of Education Policy 3430 - Transportation Services Procedures for Emergencies.

Legal Requirements
None

Similar Policies Adopted by Other School Systems
None

Draft of Proposed Policy
Attached

Other Alternative Considered By Staff
None

Timeline:
First reading – July 14, 2009
Public comment – August 11, 2009
Third reading – September 8, 2009
STUDENTS: Services to Students

Life-Threatening Medical Emergencies

All students will be provided with immediate first aid and 911 emergency rescue services when an injury, medical crisis or life-threatening episode occurs at school. Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) or emergency airway management is to be administered to any indicated student per American Heart Association guidelines. There will be two qualified personnel in each school who are certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid; one of these must be the registered nurse-school nurse. If the attending physician of a terminally ill child has entered a Do Not Resuscitate order on the authorization of the child’s parents, school administrators must act in accordance with the order and refrain from medical interventions that are not consistent with it.

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