

**Administrative Procedure for Policy #3900 (Students) Regarding School Health Services
School Health Council**

I. Purpose

- A. To provide leadership and advise the Board of Education and local agencies in the development and promotion of a comprehensive school health program
- B. To assist in the development and maintenance of school health programs that afford maximum health benefits to every school-age child in Calvert County
- C. To recognize and respect the policies and objectives of the various disciplines, groups, and agencies concerned with school health and work toward the coordination of their efforts

II. Definitions

- A. School Health Council - a standing advisory committee comprised of individuals representing various segments of the community, co-chaired by the Superintendent's and the Local Health Officer's designees, brought together to render counsel and recommendation to the Board of Education on subjects related to student health in the Calvert County Public Schools
- B. Subjects related to student health - may include, but are not limited to, topics addressing health education, physical education, nutritional services, public health, instruction in prevention of substance abuse, and prevention of communicable diseases
- C. School-age child - Pre-Kindergarten through 12th grade, or 21 years of age if still in school and being provided special education services
- D. Comprehensive school health program - Includes, but is not limited to, health education, health services, a healthy school environment, physical education, food and nutrition services, coordinated student services, health promotion for faculty and staff, and family and community involvement.

III. The School Health Council will meet at least quarterly for the purpose of providing ongoing advice to the Board of Education on pertinent issues pertaining to student health.

- A. The following conditions will apply:
 - 1. One council representative shall be selected by the Local Health Officer and one by the Superintendent of Schools to co-chair the Council and coordinate the work of the group. The Board of Education encourages representation on the Council that includes a cross-section of the community.
 - 2. The School Health Council functions using state regulations and the bylaws of the Maryland State School Health Council as a guide.

3. The three areas of function of the School Health Council will be: finding facts, deriving conclusions, and presenting recommendations related to topics of student health.