

**Student Safety and Wellness
Assurance Policy
Freedom Thinkers Education
PBL Society**

Policy Statement

Freedom Thinkers Education School is committed to providing a safe, inclusive, and supportive environment for all students and staff. If a student poses a safety risk to themselves or others, they may be asked to remain at home, and may be asked for a qualified medical professional to provide written confirmation that they are no longer a risk.

Rationale

The well-being and safety of all students and staff are of utmost importance. This policy ensures that appropriate measures are taken to protect everyone while supporting students in accessing the necessary care. It balances the need for safety with the responsibility to help students return to school once their health and behavior are managed appropriately.

Implementation

1. Identifying Risks:

If a student exhibits behaviors or conditions that indicate they may harm themselves or others, the school administration will assess the situation in consultation with parents/guardians and relevant staff.

2. Communication:

- Parents/guardians will be notified immediately.
- The student will be asked to stay at home until further evaluation is completed and/or measures have been taken to ensure safety for all.

3. Medical Assessment:

- The student may be asked to seek an assessment from a licensed medical professional (e.g., a doctor, psychologist, or psychiatrist).
- If an assessment has been requested, the school may require a written statement from the medical professional confirming that the student is no longer a risk to themselves or others before returning to school.

4. Return to School:

- Upon receiving the medical clearance, the student may return to school.
- A re-entry meeting will be conducted with the student, parents/guardians, and school staff to develop a support plan if necessary.

5. Ongoing Support and Monitoring:

- Teachers and staff will monitor the student's progress and address any further concerns promptly.

Review and Updates:

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure it remains effective and in alignment with the school's mission and legal requirements.

Effective Date: September 2025