

Policy Type: Student Health Policy

Title: Youth Protection Policy

Effective: May 20th, 2026

Purpose

The purpose of this Youth Protection Policy is to establish general expectations, responsibilities, and procedures for Custom Class Charter School (“Custom Class”) in a manner consistent with applicable law, Utah State Board of Education rule, and the school’s flexible instructional model.

1. General Policy Statement

Custom Class adopts this policy to support lawful, safe, effective, and mission-aligned school operations. The Governing Board authorizes school administration to implement this policy through procedures, forms, training, and operational practices that are appropriate for Custom Class’s online, hybrid, community-based, and in-person programs.

This policy is intended to be applied flexibly and reasonably. When operational details are not specifically stated in this policy, school administration may establish procedures consistent with the policy, applicable law, and Board direction.

2. Youth Protection and Suicide Prevention

Custom Class shall maintain youth protection procedures designed to support student safety, prevent abuse, prevent suicide, and respond to threats of self-harm or harm to others. Procedures may include training, reporting, parent notification, safety planning, and referral to appropriate resources.

3. Training and Resources

Employees may receive training regarding suicide prevention, child sexual abuse prevention, professional boundaries, recognizing warning signs, responding to disclosures, and connecting students and families with appropriate supports.

When a student threatens suicide or is involved in a serious safety incident, Custom Class shall provide parent notification and suicide prevention information as required by law and rule.

Administration and Review

School administration may maintain procedures, forms, training materials, agreements, and internal guidance necessary to implement this policy. The Governing Board may review and revise this policy periodically to reflect legal updates, USBE guidance, operational needs, or Board direction.

Nothing in this policy creates a private right of action, contract right, or entitlement beyond that required by applicable law. If any provision conflicts with controlling law, the law shall govern and the remaining provisions shall continue in effect.

Certification

The undersigned officers and/or Board of Directors of Custom Class Charter School certify that this policy was duly adopted as of the date below.

Signature:

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Matthew J. Middione - Board Chair

Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Douglas Reed". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'D'.

Douglas Reed - Board Vice Chair

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References

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