

NORTH KINGSTOWN SCHOOL COMMITTEE
POLICY MANUAL

DEPARTMENT ACCESS TO INSURANCE PROCEEDS FOR SUPPORT SERVICES

PURPOSE:

This policy is established to facilitate the obtaining of available funding to support special services rendered to students who receive such services and where such funding is available through family insurance coverage or other sources. This would be applicable to programs within the North Kingstown School Department and from outside agencies rendering services under the auspices of the North Kingstown School Department.

PHILOSOPHY:

The School Committee believes that maximum effort should be made to secure financial support to carry out the mission of the North Kingstown School Department's educational program. It further believes, that in recognition of the condition under which some services provided under the auspices of the School Department qualify for financial support within a family plan or other funding sources, such funds should be made available to the Department when said services qualify under a family's insurance plan or other known source.

POLICY STATEMENT:

1. It shall be the policy of the North Kingstown School Department to require parents to file a claim for the use of insurance proceeds to pay for services received, both within the North Kingstown School Department and from outside agencies rendering services under the auspices of the North Kingstown School Department if, when filing such a claim, the parents will not suffer financial losses including:
 - a. An increase in premiums or the discontinuation of the policy because of a school related claim.
 - b. An out-of-pocket expense, such as the payment of a deductible amount in filing a claim.
2. If a deductible amount is part of filing a claim, the North Kingstown School Department will not require the parent to file said claim unless the School Department opts to pay for the deductible. Financial losses do not include incidental costs such as the time needed to file an insurance claim or the postage needed to mail the claim.
3. Parents filing claims for services received under the auspices the North Kingstown School Department shall authorize payment to be sent directly to said School Department and/or the outside agency rendering the services.
4. Nothing in this policy shall be interpreted or construed to deny any eligible student a required Service.

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