



Pasco County Schools

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Parental Rights and Safeguards Regarding the District's Use of Public Benefits and Insurance

- In 1988, the federal government signed a supplementary Medicaid program called the Medicaid Certified School Match Program into law. This program allows the District to recover certain costs for the provision of health, behavioral and therapy related services to eligible students. **This activity will not affect your child's Medicaid insurance coverage in any way.** The district has been participating in the program since 2003.
- Federal and state law requires that the District provide written notification to parents before accessing the child's or the parent's public benefits (e.g., Medicaid). The District has elected to provide this notice at all IEP meetings advising parents of their rights.
- A one-time parental consent is required specifying that the parent understands and agrees that the public agency may access the parent's or child's public benefits (e.g., Medicaid) or insurance to pay for services under part 300. [300.154(d)(2)(iv)(A)-(B)] Consent is currently obtained via the student's Emergency Information Card.
- For children with disabilities who are covered by public benefits or insurance (e.g., Medicaid), the public agency may not use a child's benefits if that use would: decrease available lifetime coverage or any other insured benefit; result in the family paying for services that would otherwise be covered by the public benefits or insurance program and that are required for the child outside the time the child is in school; increase premiums or lead to the discontinuation of benefits or insurance; or risks loss of eligibility for home and community-based waivers. [300.154(d)(2)(i)-(iii)]
- Parents have the right under 34 CFR part 99 and part 300 to withdraw their consent to disclosure of their child's personally identifiable information to the agency responsible for the administration of the State's public benefits or insurance program (e.g., Medicaid) at any time.
- Withdrawal of consent or refusal to provide consent under 34 CFR part 99 and part 300 to disclose personally identifiable information to the agency responsible for the administration of the State's public benefits or insurance program (e.g., Medicaid) does not relieve the public agency of its responsibility to ensure that all required services are provided at no cost to the parents. [34 CFR 300.154 (d)(2)(v)]
- Please call (813) 794-2601 for more information regarding the Medicaid program.

State Appropriation Funds for Matrix Levels				
	K-3 (111 Cost Factor)	4-8 (112 Cost Factor)	9-12 (113 Cost Factor)	All
251	5,875	5,571	5,260	254 ~ 15,189
252	8,046	7,742	7,431	
253	11,319	11,015	10,704	255 ~ 22,456