

## NOTIFICATION OF THREATS OF VIOLENCE OR HARM

Students and school employees who are subjects of threats of violence or harm will be notified of the threats in a timely manner. Parents will be included in notifications to students who are subjects of threats of violence or harm. If there is a specific and significant threat to the health or safety of a student or other individuals, the district may disclose information from education records to appropriate parties whose knowledge of the information is necessary. Timing and details of the notice will be as extensive as permitted by the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), other legal limitations, and the circumstances.

~~Individual directed threats~~ Threats of violence or harm ~~are communications that create fear of physical harm to a specific individual or individuals, communicated directly or indirectly by any~~ means.

~~Building directed threats of violence or harm are~~ direct or indirect communications by any means of the intent to ~~cause damage to~~ inflict physical harm upon a specific individual or individuals or that place a school building or school property (e.g., bomb threats), or to harm students, employees, volunteers, community members or visitors person in fear of the imminent likelihood of serious harm.

The district will assess and address potential threats of violence or harm in a manner consistent with the district's threat assessment policy, other safety policies, and comprehensive safe school plans.

~~Persons found to have made threats of violence or harm against~~ If the district ~~property,~~ determines a person poses a threat of violence or harm to students, employees, or others ~~will be subject to, the district may administer~~ relevant district discipline policies and ~~will be referred~~ procedures and may refer to appropriate community agencies including law enforcement and mental health services. District staff will work with in-district and community-based professionals and services in all relevant ~~disciplines~~ areas of expertise to address threats of violence or harm, those threatened, and those making the threats. Necessary information about the person making the threat will be communicated by the principal to teachers and staff, including security personnel.

State law provides the district, school district directors, and district staff with immunity from liability for providing notice of threats in good faith. Persons who make a knowingly false notification of a threat are subject to appropriate district discipline policies and may be referred for prosecution.

The superintendent is directed to develop and implement procedures consistent with this policy.

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Board Policy 5281	Disciplinary Action and Discharge
Board Policy 3241	Student Conduct Expectations and Reasonable Sanctions
Board Policy 3207	Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying
Board Policy 2162	Education of Students with Disabilities Under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
Board Policy 2161	Special Education and Related Services for Eligible Students
Board Policy 3143	District Notification of Juvenile Offenders
Board Policy 3225	Threat Assessment

Legal References:	RCW 28A.320.128	Notice and disclosure policies — Threats of violence — Student conduct — Immunity for good faith notice — Penalty
	WAC 392-400	Pupils
	20 U.S.C. 1232g	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
	34 C.F.R. Part 99	FERPA Regulations

Management	2019 – December Policy Issue
Resources:	2018 – December 2018 - December Policy Issue
	2010 – February Issue
	Policy News, February 2003 Threats Policy Due in September

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