

### **Threats of Violence\*\***

The Board is committed to promoting healthy relationships and a safe learning environment. To this end, student threats of harm to self or others, threatening behavior or acts of violence, including threats to severely damage district property shall not be tolerated on district property or at activities under the jurisdiction of the district.

Students shall be instructed of the responsibility to inform a teacher, counselor or administrator regarding any information or knowledge relevant to conduct prohibited by this policy. Parents and others will be encouraged to report such information to the district. Staff shall immediately notify an administrator of any threat, threatening behavior or act of violence he/she has knowledge of has witnessed or received. All reports will be promptly investigated.

Students found in violation of this policy shall be subject to discipline up to and including expulsion. A referral to law enforcement shall be made for any infraction involving a student bringing, possessing, concealing or using a weapon or destructive device as prohibited by state and federal law and Board policy.

The school administrator(s) shall, in determining appropriate disciplinary action, consider:

1. Immediately removing from the classroom setting any student who has threatened to injure another person or to severely damage school property;
2. Placing the student in a setting where the behavior will receive immediate attention from a building administrator, counselor, licensed mental health professional or others;
3. Requiring the student to be evaluated by a licensed mental health professional before allowing the student to return to the classroom setting.

The school administrator(s) shall ensure notification is provided to:

1. The parent of any student in violation of this policy and the disciplinary action imposed;
2. The parent or legal guardian of a student when the student's name appears on a targeted list that threatens violence or harm to the students on the list or when threats of violence or harm to the student are made by another student;
3. Any school employee whose name appears on a targeted list threatening violence or harm to the district employee and when threats of violence or harm are made by a student or others.

Notification to the above shall be attempted by telephone or in person within 12 hours of discovery of a targeted list or learning of a threat. Regardless, a written follow-up notification shall be sent within 24 hours of discovery of a targeted list or learning of a threat.

The building principal will provide necessary information regarding threats of violence to law enforcement, child protective services and health-care professionals in connection with a health and safety emergency if knowledge of the information is necessary to protect the health and safety of the student or other individuals. Additionally, within 48 hours of receiving notice of petition from the district attorney or designee or information from a student's previous out of state school district, the school administrator shall notify school employees and school subcontractors, who the school administrator determines need the information in order to safe guard the safety and security of the school, students and staff and arrange appropriate counseling and education for the student. The administrator shall also notify that same staff when the court has set aside or dismissed the petition or if the student is not within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.

The district may enter into contract with licensed mental health professionals to perform student evaluations. Funds for evaluations or other disciplinary options as may be required by law and this policy shall be provided by the district.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

<a href="#">ORS 161.015</a>	<a href="#">OAR 581-021-0050 to -0075</a>
<a href="#">ORS 166.210 - 166.370</a>	<a href="#">OAR 581-053-0010(5)</a>
<a href="#">ORS 332.107</a>	<a href="#">OAR 581-053-0015(7)(k)</a>
<a href="#">ORS 339.115</a>	<a href="#">OAR 581-053-0545(4)(c),(w)</a>
<a href="#">ORS 339.240</a>	<a href="#">OAR 581-053-0550(5)(v)</a>
<a href="#">ORS 339.250</a>	
<a href="#">ORS 339.260</a>	
<a href="#">ORS 339.327</a>	
<a href="#">ORS 809.060</a>	
<a href="#">ORS 809.260</a>	

Gun-Free School Zones Act of 1990, 18 U.S.C. §§ 921(a)(25)-(26), 922(q) (2006).  
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. §§ 1400 - 1427 (2006).