

PROPOSED REVISIONS

CRISIS MANAGEMENT PLAN

The District ~~administration should be~~ **shall be** prepared to address crisis situations that could impact the District, such as:

1. Natural disasters, including tornadoes, floods, and the like.
2. Accident-related events, including bus or auto injury, deaths, ~~drownings~~ **drowning**, and the like.
3. Illness-related events, including AIDS, cancer, or other terminal illness.
4. Bizarre and unusual events, including deaths due to snipers, homicides, sudden deaths, hostage situations, and the like.
5. Drug-related deaths.
6. Suicides.
7. Catastrophic events, including fires, explosions, a building collapse, chemical spills, and the like.

~~Consequently, a~~ **The Superintendent shall develop a** crisis management plan ~~in compliance~~ **that complies** with federal, state, and local laws ~~shall be developed and approved by the Superintendent.~~ The Superintendent shall be responsible for the annual review and updating of the plan.

The plan shall ~~contain:~~ **an outline of responsibilities, including**

1. ~~designation~~ **Designate** of the **a** District crisis management team;
2. **Provide the** functional responsibilities of the team;
3. **Include** community emergency telephone numbers;
4. **Provide** general guidelines regarding communication about the crisis, and appropriate responses by the faculty, guidance office, and appropriate administrators.

The plan shall **also** specify ~~approved the~~ individuals **who shall** ~~to~~ act as spokespersons to the news media **[see GBBA]**, discuss possible issues to be considered in the event of a memorial service, and provide a ~~resource~~ directory containing names and telephone numbers of community resources.

~~An annual~~ **A** review and staff development training on the crisis plan and procedures shall be conducted **on an annual basis.** ~~The training shall include~~ **ing** review of confidentiality issues applicable to District employees.

A working relationship with the community emergency system and agencies shall be maintained.

SUICIDE

When ~~school~~**District** personnel become aware of a suicide by a student in their building, the principal shall be notified, and the crisis plan shall be initiated.

When ~~school~~**District** personnel become aware of a threatened, ~~or attempted,~~ or actual suicide by a student off campus, the principal on the campus shall be notified, and the crisis management plan shall be initiated.

SUICIDE THREAT

No suicide threat shall be ignored. A suicide threat is defined as any spoken, written, or behavioral indication of self-destructive tendencies with the intent of taking one's own life.

Each campus shall provide personnel trained in crisis intervention and suicide prevention, intervention and post-care for students in crisis situations. These trained personnel shall be designated as primary caregivers on behalf of the campus.

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~~School~~**District** personnel shall not be expected to accept responsibility for making a decision regarding the sincerity of the student's intent or likelihood that the threat will be carried out. The campus counselor, however, in consultation with the parents, shall proceed with providing the student with immediate counseling to determine if additional interventions are required. Specific procedures regarding suicide threats shall be a part of the crisis plan.

SUICIDE ATTEMPT

Any attempted suicide shall be treated initially as a medical emergency. A suicide attempt ~~is~~**shall be** defined as any life-threatening behavior or gesture on the part of a student with the intent of taking his or her life. It is not left to the discretion of ~~school~~**District** personnel to determine the seriousness of the attempt or threat. Specific procedures for management of cases involving attempted suicide shall be a part of the crisis plan.

NOTICE TO PARENT /
GUARDIAN

When the campus liaison receives a report that a student is possibly in need of mental health intervention or is at risk of committing suicide, the campus liaison shall notify the student's parent/guardian and provide information about available counseling options.

MEDICAL
SCREENINGS

Only a student's parent ~~or~~ guardian may consent to a medical screening. Unless a student's parent ~~or~~ guardian has provided prior consent, no medical screening shall be used as part of the

process of identifying whether a student is possibly in need of intervention or is at risk of committing suicide.