

Lewistown School District #1

INSTRUCTION

2150

Suicide Awareness and Prevention

The Administration shall develop and implement a youth suicide prevention program meeting minimum requirements set forth in 10.55.719, ARM.

The District will provide professional development on youth suicide awareness and prevention to each employee of the district who work with any students enrolled in the school district. The training materials will be approved by the Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

The District will provide at least two (2) hours of youth suicide and prevention training beginning the 2017-18 school year. The District will provide, at a minimum, two (2) hours of youth suicide awareness and prevention training every five (5) years thereafter. All new employees who work directly with any student enrolled in the School District will be provided training the first year of employment.

Youth suicide and prevention training may include:

- A. In-person attendance at a live training;
- B. Video conference;
- C. An individual program of study of designated materials;
- D. Self-review modules available online; and
- E. Any other method chosen by the local school board that is consistent with professional development standards.

No cause of action may be brought for any loss or damage caused by any act or admission resulting from the implementation the provisions of this policy or resulting from any training, or lack of training related to this policy. Nothing in this policy shall be construed to impose a specific duty of care.

Legal Reference: 20-7-1310, MCA Youth suicide awareness and prevention training

Policy History:

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