

STUDENTS

Reporting Data About School Violence and Crime

A. Generally

Virginia Code § 22.1-279.3:1 requires that the Virginia Department of Education collect information on crime, violence and substance abuse that takes place on public school property, on school buses or at school-sponsored activities.

B. Purpose

The purpose of this Policy is to ensure the School Division's compliance with Virginia Code § 22.1-279.3:1 by identifying the crime, violence and substance abuse data to be collected and reporting procedures.

1. Incidences of Crime, Violence, and Substance Abuse Required to be Reported by School Staff to School Principals or designee

- a. The assault, assault and battery, sexual assault, death, shooting, stabbing, cutting, or wounding of any person, or stalking of any person as described in §18.2-60.3, on a school bus, on school property, or at a school-sponsored activity;
- b. Any conduct involving tobacco, alcohol, marijuana, a controlled substance, imitation controlled substance, or an anabolic steroid on a school bus, on school property, or at a school sponsored activity, including the theft or attempted theft of student prescription medications;
- c. Any threats against school personnel while on a school bus, on school property, or at a school-sponsored activity;
- d. The illegal carrying of a firearm onto school property;
- e. Any illegal conduct involving firebombs, explosive materials or devices, or hoax explosive devices, as defined in Virginia Code § 18.2-85, or explosive or incendiary devices, as defined in Virginia Code § 18.2-433.1, or chemical bombs, as described in Virginia Code § 18.2-87.1, on a school bus, on school property or at a school-sponsored activity; or
- f. The arrest of any students for an incident occurring on a school bus, on school property, or at a school sponsored activity including the charge therefore
- g. Any threats or false threats to bomb, as described in Virginia Code § 18.2-83, made against school personnel or involving school property or school buses or at school sponsored events.

2. Reports Made by Local Law Enforcement to Schools

Local law enforcement authorities may report, and the principal or his designee may receive such reports on offenses, wherever committed, by students enrolled at the school, if the offense would be a felony if committed by an adult or would be a violation of the Drug Control Act (§ 54.1-3400 et seq.) and occurred on a school bus, on school property, or at a school-sponsored activity, or would be an adult misdemeanor involving any incidents described in clauses (i) through (viii) of subsection A- of Virginia Code § 22.1-279.3:1.

3. Reporting Procedures by Principal to Superintendent and Superintendent to Department of Education

- a. The principal of each school shall submit a report of all incidents required or authorized to be reported by Section 1 or Section 2 to the Director of Student Leadership ~~monthly on dates established by the Director of Student Leadership~~. The Superintendent shall annually report all incidents to the Virginia Department of Education and ~~shall make such information~~ such information will be made available to the public.
- ~~a.~~ b. The closing date for submission with verification by the Superintendent is due at the end of July as defined by the Virginia Department of Education following the most recently completed school year.
- ~~b.~~ The principal or designee shall also notify the parent of any student involved in an incident required or authorized to be reported regardless of whether any disciplinary action is taken against the student or the nature of the disciplinary action. Such notice shall relate only the relevant student's involvement, and shall not include information concerning other students.
- ~~c.~~ Principals shall report immediately to the Virginia Beach City Police Department any incident listed in subsection B.1.
- ~~d.~~ For purposes of parental notification, "parent" shall include any parent, legal/guardian or other person having control or charge of a minor child

Legal Reference:

Code of Virginia § 18.2-60.3, as amended. Stalking is defined as

Code of Virginia §18.2-83, as amended. Threats to bomb or damage buildings or means of transportation; false information s to danger to such buildings, etc.; punishment; venue.

Code of Virginia §18.2-85, as amended. Manufacture; possession, use, etc., of fire bombs or explosive materials or devices; penalty.

Code of Virginia §18.2-87.1, as amended. Setting off chemical bombs capable of producing smoke in certain public buildings.

Code of Virginia § 18.2-433.1, as amended. Definitions.

Code of Virginia, § 22.1-279.3:1, as amended. Reports of certain acts to school authorities.

Virginia Board of Education Regulations Governing Reporting Acts of Violence and Substance Abuse in Schools, 8 VAC 20-560-10, as amended.

Code of Virginia § 54.1-3400, et seq., as amended. Drug Control Act.

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