



The Lowellville Local School District embraces the belief that all students have a right to a safe, healthy and nurturing learning environment. The Lowellville community recognizes that schools must be physically and emotionally safe for all students in order to promote and support academic achievement, citizenship, student attendance and engagement.

As a response to our beliefs, Lowellville's first priority and expectation is to prevent the occurrences of bullying and harassment. Lowellville will not tolerate behavior that infringes on the safety and emotional well-being of any student or adult. Specifically, the school, district and community must be vigilant not tolerate acts of bullying, intimidation or harassment of any student through words and actions.

With these beliefs and expectations and understanding that no one should work alone, we embrace the practice of partnerships between students, parents, staff and community to demonstrate behavior that is respectful and civil. Should any persons within this partnership experience otherwise, it is essential to immediately report any incident to the principal or designee. Also, anyone who observes or experiences any incident of bullying or harassment are also encouraged to complete and submit the Bullying Report Form found on the link of the Lowellville Local School's webpage OR in the office of the guidance counselors. Furthermore, knowing that adults are the models of society for our youth, staff members are expected to immediately intervene when they observe bullying. Each incident of suspected bullying must be promptly reported, investigated and documented. Essentially, students can rely on staff to promptly investigate each complaint of suspected bullying in a thorough and confidential manner.

District procedures for preventing and intervening in bullying behavior include, but are not limited, to the following:

1. All staff, students and parents will receive a copy of these guidelines prohibiting bullying at the beginning of the school year
2. The school's principal or designee will keep a report of bullying and the results of investigation confidential
3. All staff will immediately intervene to an appropriate degree whenever they observe or become aware of a bullying
4. Non-staff members who observe or become aware of bullying are strongly encouraged to report the incident in order to support the school's efforts to promote a safe and engaging learning environment
5. Meetings with a Parent Advisory Committee: Bullying (PAC:B) scheduled throughout the school year to remain vigilant with bullying

Primarily, these actions apply to every form of bullying, harassment, and/or cyber-bullying/harassment, whether in the classroom, on school premises, when a student is traveling to or from school, or at a school-sponsored event. Bullying or harassment, including cyber-bullying/harassment, that is not initiated at a location defined above is grounds for discipline if the incident results in a potentially harmful or substantial disruption of the school learning environment for one or more students and/or the orderly day-to-day operations of any school or school program in any way.

Thank you for your partnership, time and efforts with continuing to make the Lowellville Local Schools the premiere District of choice!

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