

SUICIDE ASSESSMENT

- 1.0 In support of maintaining school safety, trained staff will investigate reports of or evidence (written, verbal or physical) regarding student behavior suggesting that the student is contemplating suicide.
- 2.0 In assessing the potential need for intervention, trained staff may conduct a suicide assessment following District protocol. A student's parents or guardians may be invited to engage with school staff in completing the assessment. However, a parent/guardian's refusal to engage with staff in completing the assessment will not prevent staff from completing the suicide assessment process.
- 3.0 Parents or guardians will be notified when a suicide assessment regarding their student is being conducted or as soon as possible after such assessment has been conducted and the determination of any necessary emergency actions has been identified and/or taken. The completed student suicide assessment shall be provided to a student's parents/guardians upon request in accordance with District Policy 5300.
- 4.0 Based on the assessment, interventions will be put in place in collaboration with the school team, family and community based mental health as deemed necessary. Support resources in and outside of the school may be included in a student support plan developed by the school team with the student and parent/guardian. Schools will work with the student to excuse absences and missing assignments as necessary.

CROSS REFERENCE:
Policy 5300