



Book	Policy Manual
Section	200 Pupils
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Purpose

The Board recognizes the danger that terroristic threats by students present to the safety and welfare of district students, staff and community. The Board acknowledges the need for an immediate and effective response to a situation involving such a threat.

Definition

Terroristic threat - shall mean a threat communicated either directly or indirectly to commit any crime of violence with the intent to terrorize another; to cause evacuation of a building, place of assembly or facility of public transportation; or to otherwise cause serious public inconvenience, or cause terror or serious public inconvenience with reckless disregard of the risk of causing such terror or inconvenience.[\[1\]](#)

Authority

The Board prohibits any district student from communicating terroristic threats directed at any student, employee, Board member, community member or school building.

In the case of a student with disabilities, the district shall take all steps required to comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and Board policy.[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)

If a student is expelled for making terroristic threats, the Board may require, prior to readmission, that the student provide competent and credible evidence that the student does not pose a risk of harm to others.[\[3\]](#)[\[8\]](#)[\[9\]](#)

Delegation of Responsibility

Staff members and students shall be made aware of their responsibility for informing the building principal regarding any information or knowledge relevant to a possible or actual terroristic threat.[\[4\]](#)[\[8\]](#)

The building principal shall immediately inform the Superintendent after receiving a report of such a threat.[\[8\]](#)

The Superintendent or designee shall react promptly to information and knowledge concerning a possible or actual terroristic threat. Such action shall be in compliance with state law and regulation and with the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement officials.[\[5\]](#)[\[7\]](#)[\[10\]](#)[\[11\]](#)[\[12\]](#)

The Superintendent shall be responsible for developing administrative regulations to implement this policy.

The Superintendent or designee shall annually, by July 31, report all incidents of terroristic threats to the Office of Safe Schools on the required form in accordance with state law and regulation.[\[Z\]](#)[\[14\]](#)

Legal

- [1. 18 Pa. C.S.A. 2706](#)
- [2. 20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq](#)
3. Pol. 113.1
- [4. 22 PA Code 12.2](#)
- [5. 24 P.S. 1302.1-A](#)
6. Pol. 805
- [7. 24 P.S. 1303-A](#)
8. Pol. 236.1
9. Pol. 233
- [10. 22 PA Code 10.2](#)
- [11. 22 PA Code 10.22](#)
12. Pol. 805.1
- [24 P.S. 1302-E](#)
- [22 PA Code 11.23](#)
- [22 PA Code 11.25](#)
- [34 CFR Part 300](#)
- Pol. 103.1
- Pol. 113.2