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To **Northeastern Local Board of Education**
From **HIB District Coordinator(s) Melissa Jewell and Steve Linson**
RE: **First Semester Semi-Annual Report**
Date: **January 2026**

Under O.R.C. Section 3313.666 (B) (10), the semiannual report to the Northeastern Local Board of Education is below. This report is being posted on the district's website to the extent permitted by ORC Section 2219.321 and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.

What is an allegation?

Any student, staff member, or parent can make a formal allegation of harassment, intimidation, bullying, or retaliation by completing a Google Form, using the Safety Bully Line, or by informing a staff member. Once an allegation has been made, it is board policy that the building HIB coordinator must complete an investigation and submit all findings to the District HIB Coordinators. After the investigation, a determination must be made based on the evidence of whether the allegation was verified/confirmed or non-verified.

Total Number of Allegations-First Semester	***Building***
Kenton Ridge Elementary	*5*
Kenton Ridge Middle/High School	*9*
Northeastern Elementary	*2*
Northeastern Middle/High School	*1*
TOTAL	***17***

What determines if a case of HIB is verified/confirmed?

The District must maintain the burden of proof to classify a case as confirmed/verified for Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, and Retaliation. The burden of proof is determined if an incident was more likely to have occurred than not.

Verified/Confirmed Cases of Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, or Retaliation - First Semester

Verified/Confirmed Harassment	***9***
Verified/Confirmed Intimidation	***1***
Verified/Confirmed Bullying	***3***
Verified/Confirmed Retaliation	***0***
Non-Verified	***4***

Summary / First Semester:

- ***Number of Investigations by Grade Band (District)***
  - ***High School/Middle School (12), Elementary (5), Transportation (0)***

- ***76.4 % of all investigations are verified/confirmed***

2023-24 First Semester - District Wide	***2024-25 First Semester - District Wide***	***2025-26 First Semester - District Wide***
# of Allegations - 37	***# of Allegations - 28***	***# of Allegations - 17***
# of Verified Cases of HIBR - 23	***# of Verified Cases of HIBR - 16***	***# of Verified Cases of HIBR - 13***

Respectfully submitted,

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