## **OPERATIONS**



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# THREAT ASSESSMENT POLICY

### **PURPOSE**

Act 18 of 2019 amended the Public School Code of 1949 by adding Article XIII-E, Threat Assessment, which shall apply beginning the 2021-2022 school year.

Among its provisions, Article XIII-E requires the establishment of at least one threat assessment team for each school entity in Pennsylvania. The threat assessment team is tasked with the assessment of and intervention with students whose behavior may indicate a threat to the safety of the student, other students, school employees, school facilities, the community or others. The School Safety and Security Committee (SSSC), established by the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, is required to research, develop and provide free threat assessment guidelines, training and informational materials, as well as model procedures and guidelines for school entities.

## PROCEDURES:

The school's Safety Committee will take the role of the mandated "Threat Assessment Team."

The committee is tasked with the assessment of and intervention with students whose behavior may indicate a threat to the safety of the student, other students, school employees, school facilities, the community or others.

The team will report requirements and procedures under the Act 18 of 2019 and follow applicable Federal laws, including Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act and the

Federal Fiscal Compliance Policy BOT adopted May 11, 2021

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act as well as Pennsylvania's Right to Know Law.

Notably, certain reports and information generated pursuant to the terms of the Threat Assessment provisions are not subject to the Right-to-Know Law.

Members of the team are assigned to successfully complete the mandated training required by Article XIII-E.

#### **Written Policies**

Charter School's written policy on Student Wellness is public record.

TO THE EXTENT THAT ANYTHING IN THIS POLICY COULD BE CONSTRUED TO CONFLICT WITH THE SCHOOL'S CHARTER OR APPLICABLE STATE AND/OR FEDERAL LAWS, THE APPLICABLE STATE AND/OR FEDERAL LAWS AND/OR CHARTER CONTROL.

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Board President

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#### STEPS:

- 1. Every school must have an assessment team trained.
- 2. The first three modules are online now. They are free from PCCD. (5.12.21)
- 3. The staff should be shown the presentation which is also on that page.
- 4. This must begin in the upcoming school year (21.22)