

STUDENTS SUICIDAL BEHAVIOR

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The Social Work and School Psychologist Chairpersons have been assigned specific systemwide responsibilities for issues related to suicidal behavior. These responsibilities include:

1. To facilitate or provide training and support for School Social Workers and School Psychologists in areas of suicidal behavior risk assessment, procedures, and knowledge of available resources for families.
2. To assure that the school social work and school psychology departments provide in-service on Student Suicidal Behavior Policy and Procedures and related topics such as suicidal warning signs, groups most at risk, and appropriate staff responses in each building on an annual basis.
3. To be a resource to Administrators, School Social Workers, and School Psychologists for case consultation as needed.
4. To assure involvement of the Department of Student Services' staff in cases of reported suicide threatening behavior, assessment, and follow-up as appropriate.
5. To coordinate an immediate mental health support system to the staff, students, and community in cases of actual suicide or significant injury.
6. To maintain current records and longitudinal data of student suicidal behavior for the district.