

Descriptor Term: STUDENT THREATS	Descriptor: JICK	Issued: DRAFT
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The Board recognizes that a threat by a student to harm self, others or property, creates a risk of injury or death to district employees, students, and visitors, and further creates a risk of damage to property of the district, employees, students, and visitors. The Board hereby establishes this policy to address such risks.

Students who threaten to harm self, others or threaten to damage or destroy property will be subject to expulsion from TPSD for a term of not less than one year. Students who threaten to harm self, others, or threaten to damage or destroy property must be examined by a licensed private psychologist or psychiatrist at the expense of the parent or guardian to determine appropriateness for either continued attendance or for readmission to the TPSD. The Board will not be obligated to rely solely on such evaluation. The evaluation must include a statement of whether or not the student, in the opinion of the examiner, is a threat to self, to others, or to property.

The statement by the examiner also must include recommendations for a behavior plan and other pertinent educational recommendations.

Further, it is unlawful to use any electronic means, email, instant messaging, cell phones, etc., to intimidate, threaten, bully or harass others. Students are subject to discipline for off-campus behavior if the student's conduct renders his/her presence in the classroom a disruption to the educational environment of the school or a detriment to the best interest and welfare of the students and/or staff as a whole. Students in violation of this policy will be referred to law enforcement as well as be subject to school discipline.

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