

Beauregard Parish School Board

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To the Students of Beauregard Parish Schools:

The purpose of this letter is to inform students of the prohibition or banning of any harassment, intimidation, and bullying, including cyberbullying, of a student by another student.

The consequences of a report of such an alleged action shall be an immediate investigation of all complaints and reports involving the alleged incidence. Investigations may consist of personal interviews with the individual who is alleged to have been bullied, intimidated, threatened, harassed or hazed, the individual or individuals against whom the complaint is made, witnesses, and any other persons who may have knowledge of the alleged incident or incidents or circumstances leading to or giving rise to the complaint. Other methods of investigation also may be used and appropriate documents may be examined by the investigator.

During the period of an investigation, the school district may take immediate steps, at its discretion, to protect the complainant, students, teachers, administrators or other school personnel pending completion of the investigation.

A school district shall take appropriate action in response to a report following an investigation of any alleged bullying, cyberbullying, intimidation, threatening behavior, harassment, or hazing of a student. When the report determines that the alleged act or conduct appears to be in violation of this policy, disciplinary action shall be taken as outlined in the *Student Handbook*. The principal/designee shall contact the parent or legal guardian of the pupil being disciplined for alleged misconduct to notify them of the disciplinary action.

Whenever the act or conduct determined to be a violation of this policy may also constitute a violation of state or federal criminal statute, the appropriate law enforcement officer shall be promptly notified.