



## AP 2-320 – THREATENING BEHAVIOURS

Western School Division values positive connections of all students to their schools.

The following protocol will be utilized whenever a behaviour occurs which, in the opinion of the Principal or designate, jeopardizes the safety of any members of the school community.

### THREATENING BEHAVIOUR PROTOCOL

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This protocol serves as a guide to school principals when responding to serious threats or behavior.

- Refer to the WSD Threat Assessment Chart (AP 2-321).
- All threats shall be taken seriously. This may mean that a student will be suspended as per school division and school policy.
- The response from school staff will be immediate.
- The school response team, chaired by the school principal or designate, will convene to address the issue.
- An incident needs to be evaluated/assessed for its legitimacy by the school personnel. If the school team determines that the incident is a safety concern to either the student, other students, staff, or the school property, the school team must contact the Student Services Administrator who may then seek to involve clinicians or other professionals. The Superintendent will be apprised of the situation by the principal.
- Police may need to be involved at the discretion of the principal.
- Only when a professional, in conjunction with the school division administration, indicates that the safety concern has been addressed will a student be allowed to be present at school.
- The student in question will be given an opportunity, when reasonable to do so, to give a full account of the motives and actions.
- Parents will be informed and/or consulted as soon as possible of school action. At an appropriate time, parents will be involved in follow-up actions.
- Assuming that permission has been granted for returning to school, the student and parents will meet with the school administration for a re-entry debriefing.
- Nothing in this plan shall be construed to alter the *Reporting of a Child in Need* as per Provincial law.
- The Superintendent (or designate) will be responsible for informing the board.
- Complete the Threat Incident Report (AP 2-322) and send a copy to the Student Services Coordinator.
- Complete the Threat Protocol Follow Up Report and Plan (AP 2-323) within two (2) weeks of the initial incident and send a copy to the Student Services Coordinator.

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