



## BOARD POLICY

4.XX.XXX-P

### **Teen Dating Violence/Domestic Violence**

#### **I. Overview and Prohibited Conduct**

- A. Portland Public Schools is committed to providing a safe, positive, and productive learning environment. Teen dating violence is unacceptable behavior and prohibited.
- B. This policy applies to alleged student behavior on district grounds, at or during any district-sponsored activity, on district-provided transportation, at any official district bus stop, and in all instances that student discipline applies as provided in Student Discipline Procedures 4.30.020-AD, including when student behavior covered in this policy substantially disrupts the school environment.
- C. Retaliation against any person who reports, is thought to have reported, files a complaint, or otherwise participates in an investigation or inquiry is also strictly prohibited. Reports made in bad faith shall also be regarded as a serious offense and will result in disciplinary action or other appropriate sanctions.
- D. The District shall investigate all complaints of teen dating violence. The Superintendent shall be responsible for ensuring the development of administrative directives, including reporting and investigative procedures. The Superintendent shall also appoint a Title IX Coordinator who will be responsible for receiving reports related to teen dating violence.
- E. The district shall incorporate age-appropriate education about teen dating violence and domestic violence into new or existing training programs for students in grade 7 through 12.
- F. The district shall incorporate into existing training programs for staff information related to the prevention of, and the appropriate response to, teen dating violence and domestic violence.

#### **II. Definitions**

- A. "Teen dating violence" means:
  - 1. A pattern of behavior in which a person uses or threatens to use physical, mental, or emotional abuse to control another person who is in a dating relationship with the person, where one or both persons are 13 to 19 years or age; or

2. Behavior by which a person uses or threatens to use sexual violence against another person who is in a dating relationship with the person, where one or both persons are 13 to 19 years of age.
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- B. "Domestic Violence" means abuse as defined by Oregon Revised Statute 107.705 between family and household members, as those terms are described in ORS 107.705.
  - C. "Retaliation" means harassment, intimidation or bullying, menacing, teen dating violence and acts of cyberbullying toward a person in response to a student for actually or apparently reporting or participating in the investigation of teen dating violence.

Legal References: ORS 339.356; ORS 339.366; ORS 107.705

OSBA: JFCF

History: Adpt 1/18