SEVEN GENERATIONS CHARTER SCHOOL

SECTION: STUDENTS

TITLE: 218.2 – TERRORISTIC THREATS

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Policy

The Board recognizes the danger that terroristic threats by students present to the safety and welfare of students, staff and community. The Board acknowledges the need for an immediate and effective response to a situation involving such a threat.

The Board prohibits any student from communicating terroristic threats directed at any student, employee, Board member, community member or property owned, leased or being used by the school.

In the case of a student with a disability, including a student for whom an evaluation is pending, the school shall take all steps required to comply with state and federal laws and regulations, the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement and Board policies.

If a student is expelled for making terroristic threats, the Board may require, prior to readmission, that the student provide competent and credible evidence that the student does not pose a risk of harm to others.

Delegation of Responsibility

The CEO or designee shall react promptly to information and knowledge concerning a possible or actual terroristic threat. Such action shall be in compliance with state law and regulations and with the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement officials and the school's emergency preparedness plan.

Guidelines

Definitions

Communicate - shall mean to convey in person or by written or electronic means, including telephone, electronic mail, Internet, facsimile, telex and similar transmissions.

Terroristic threat - shall mean a threat communicated either directly or indirectly to commit any crime of violence with the intent to terrorize another; to cause evacuation of a building; place of assembly or facility of public transportation; or to otherwise cause serious public inconvenience, or cause terror or serious public inconvenience with reckless disregard of the risk of causing such terror or inconvenience.

Staff members and students shall be made aware of their responsibility for informing the CEO or designee regarding any information or knowledge relevant to a possible or actual terroristic threat.

The CEO or designee may report incidents involving terroristic threats on school property, at any school-sponsored activity or on a conveyance providing transportation to or from a school or school-sponsored activity to the local police department that has jurisdiction over the school's property, in accordance with state law and regulations, the procedure's set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement and Board Policies.

The CEO or designee shall notify the parent/guardian of any student directly involved in an incident involving a terroristic threat as a victim or suspect immediately, as soon as practicable. The CEO or designee shall inform the parent/guardian whether or not the local police department that has jurisdiction over the school property has been or may be notified of the incident. The CEO or designee shall document attempts made to reach the parent/guardian.

In accordance with state law, the CEO shall annually, by July 31, report all incidents of terroristic threats to the Office for Safe Schools on the required form.

References

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1302.1-A, 1303-A

State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 10.2, 10.22, 10.23, 10.25, 12.2

Terroristic Threats – 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 2706

Individuals With Disabilities Education Act – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq.

Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, Title 34, Code of Federal Regulations – 34 CFR Part 300