

### 8468 - Crisis Response

The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility to be prepared to confront circumstances in which the physical and/or mental well being of pupils, staff and other individuals on school grounds is threatened or overtly impacted upon by an individual or group of individuals. Situations at issue include, but are not limited to, acts of terrorism, hostage situations and other threats or acts of a violent nature. The Board further recognizes there is a need to deal with the aftermath of such events and circumstances, and to contend with the psychological trauma, pain and confusion, which may ensue as the result of these events.

The Board establishes through the person of the Superintendent or his/her designee, Crisis Teams whose responsibility it shall be to act:

1. As a source of information;
2. As a vehicle through which direct services may be delivered;
3. In an advisory capacity to the Superintendent, or his/her designee, and/or other agents or agencies dealing with the crisis situation.

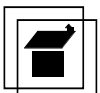
The District-Wide Crisis Team shall consist of the following membership:

1. The Superintendent of Schools;
2. The Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction;
3. The Assistant Superintendent for Business;
4. The Director of Buildings and Grounds;
5. The Director of Special Services;
6. The Director of Technology;
7. The Public Information Officer;
8. The Principal from each of the schools within the district.

The School-Based Crisis Teams shall consist of the following membership:

1. The Building Principal;
2. The Assistant Principal(s) or Instructional Supervisor;
3. The School Nurse;
4. Any other staff member(s) so appointed by the Principal

The Crisis Team shall be convened at least on an annual basis:



# POLICY

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1. To review established policy and procedures;
2. To orient new members as to their responsibilities;
3. To maintain and reinforce lines of communication between the various disciplines and specialists who make up the Crisis Team.

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