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THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAMS

In accordance with Va. Code § 22.1-79.4, the Superintendent establishes a Threat Assessment Team for each school. Teams may serve one or more schools as determined by the Superintendent. The teams assess and intervene with individuals whose behavior may pose a threat to the safety of school staff or students consistent with the model policies developed by the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety including procedures for referrals to community services boards or health care providers for evaluation or treatment when appropriate.

9 Each school team includes persons with expertise in counseling, instruction, school administration,
10 law enforcement, and in schools in which a school resource officer is employed, at least one such
11 school resource officer. New threat assessment team members complete an initial threat
12 assessment training and all threat assessment team members complete refresher thread assessment
13 training every three years. Each team:

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- Provides guidance to students and staff regarding recognition of threatening or aberrant behavior that may represent a threat to the community, school, or self;
- Identifies members of the school community to whom threatening behavior should be reported;
 - Implements policies adopted by the School Board;

A principal who has received information that a juvenile is a suspect in or has been charged with certain violations of law pursuant to Va. Code § 16.1-301 may provide such information to a threat assessment team.. No member of a threat assessment team may disclose any such information or use such information for any purpose other than evaluating threats to students or other school personnel.

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Upon a preliminary determination that a student poses a threat of violence or physical harm to self or others, a threat assessment team immediately reports its determination to Superintendent or superintendent's designee. The Superintendent or superintendent's designee immediately attempts to notify the student's parent or legal guardian. Nothing in this policy precludes school division personnel from acting immediately to address an imminent threat.

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Upon a preliminary determination the threat assessment team that an individual poses a threat of violence to self or others or exhibits significantly disruptive behavior or need for assistance, the threat assessment team may obtain criminal history record information, as provided in Va. Code §§ 19.2-389 and 19.2-389.1 and health records, as provided in Va. Code § 32.1-127.1:03. No member of a threat assessment team rediscloses any criminal history record information or health information obtained pursuant to this policy or otherwise uses any record of an individual beyond the purpose for which such disclosure was made to the threat assessment team.

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Each threat assessment team operates pursuant to the procedures in Regulation EBB-R, and collects and reports to the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety (the Center) quantitative

- 43 data on its activities using the case management tool developed by the Center.
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- 45 Adopted: June 18, 2015
- 46 Amended: June 22, 2017

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50	Legal Refs.:	Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§ 16.1-301, 19.2-389, 19.2-389.1,		
51		22.1-79.4, 32	.1-127.1:03.	
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53	Cross Refs.:	CLA	Reporting Acts of Violence and Substance Abuse	
54		EB	School Crisis, Emergency Management and Medical Emergency	
55			Response Plan	
56		EBB-R	Threat Assessment/Safety Team Regulations	
57		JFC	Student Conduct	
58		JFCD	Weapons in School	
59		JFCI	Substance Abuse-Student Assistance Program	
60		JGD/JGE	Student Suspension/Expulsion	
61		JDGA	Disciplining Students with Disabilities	
62		JFCE	Gang Activity or Association	
63		JFCC	Student Conduct on School Buses	
64		JHH	Suicide Prevention	
65		JM	Management of Student Behaviors in Emergency Situations	
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67		KNAJ	Relations with Law Enforcement Authorities	
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1	THREAT ASSESSMENT <mark>/SAFETY</mark> TEAMS	(Commented [MS1]: ACPS calls them 'threat assessment teams'
2 3	I. ASSOCIATED REGULATION: EBB-R: THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAM REGULATIONS		
4 5 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17	II. DIVISION SAFETY TEAMIn accordance with Va. Code § 22.1-79.4, the Superintendent establishes a Threat Assessment Team, or "Safety Team," to oversee Division level threats and those pertaining to multiple facilities. In addition, the team oversees individual Safety Teams located at each school. The Division level team includes the Chief of Student Services and Equity, the Executive Director of Student Services, the Chief of Human Resources, the Chief of Facilities and Operations, the Director of Safety and Security Services and the Coordinator of Security and Emergency Operations. It also includes other staff as appropria[III. SCHOOL SAFETY TEAMSIn accordance with Va. Code § 22.1-79.4, the Superintendent has also establishes establisheds a Threat Assessment TeamSafety Team for each school. Teams may serve one or more schools as determined by the Superintendent. The teams will assess and intervene with individuals whose behavior may pose a threat to the safety of school staff or students consistent with the model policies developed by the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety including procedures for referrale to community certifies to consistent or providers for	[Commented [MS2]: ACPS has central staff identified to support threat assessments, but does not have a formal division safety team.
17 18 19 20	including procedures for referrals to community services boards or health care providers for evaluation or treatment when appropriate. Each school <u>tSafety Team</u> includes persons with expertise in counseling, instruction, school		
21 22 23 24	administration, and law enforcement, and in schools in which a school resource officer is employed, at least one such school resource officer. New threat assessment team members complete an initial threat assessment training and all threat assessment team members complete refresher thread assessment training every three years. Each team meets once per semester and:	([Commented [3]: As required by Va. Code § 22.1-79.4.C Commented [MS4]: Per the amendment of Va. Code § 22.1- 79.4 by SB 1359.
25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32	 Provides guidance to students, and staff members regarding recognition of threatening or aberrant behavior that may represent a threat to the community, school, or self; Identifies members of the school community to whom threatening behavior should be reported; Implements policies adopted by the School Board; Reviews and/or updates contact information of Safety Team members; and Reviews and/or updates information provided to staff. A principal who has received information that a juvenile is a suspect in or has been charged with 		,
33 34 35 36 37 38	certain violations of law pursuant to Va. Code § 16.1-301 may provide such information to a <u>threat</u> <u>assessment team</u> . Safety Team. No member of a <u>threat assessment team</u> . Safety Team may disclose any such information or use such —information for any purpose other than evaluating threats to students or other school personnel.		
 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 	Upon a preliminary determination that a student poses a threat of violence or physical harm to self or others, a school Safety Team_threat assessment team immediately reports its determination to <u>Superintendent or superintendent's designee the Division level Safety Team, including designated</u> school administrators. The <u>Superintendent or superintendent's designee school based</u> administration immediately attempts to notify any minor the student's parent or legal guardian. Nothing in this policy precludes school division personnel from acting immediately to address an imminent threat.		Commented [5]: The parent has educational rights unless the student is emancipated.

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