



SCHOOL BOARD OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
School Board Policy Executive Summary
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Policy Number:	8406
Title of Policy:	Reports of Suspicious Activity and Potential Threats to Schools, Facilities, Students, and Employees
Cabinet Member:	Robin Novelli, Chief Operating Officer, District Operations
Purpose of Revisions:	The purpose of the proposed revisions to the policy is to ensure compliance with all applicable federal and state laws, Florida State Board of Education Rules, Board policies, administrative rules, procedures, and guidelines. In addition, the proposed policy promotes transparency and accountability.
Tentative Schedule:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cabinet – 4/6/20 • Work Session – 5/12/20 • Rule Development Workshop – 6/16/20 • School Board Meeting Information – 6/16/20 • School Board Meeting Approval – 6/30/20 • Effective Date – upon approval
Summary of Proposed Policy Revisions:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy is being revised to address suspicious activity and potential threats to schools, facilities, students and employees. • Particular areas include the following: all employees shall, and students and members of the community are strongly encouraged to, promptly report concerns of unsafe, potentially harmful, dangerous, violent, or criminal activities to local safety agencies and/or school officials. • Particular areas include the following: updated information pertaining to the mobile suspicious reporting tool, Office of District Security contact information, and employees must report unsafe, potentially harmful, dangerous, violent, or criminal activities, or the threat of these activities to their immediate supervisor.
Specific Authority:	§§119.07, 943.082, 1006.07; F.S.
Next Steps:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revisions to internal procedures • Training for BPS employees regarding the new policy any revised procedures

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8406 - REPORTS OF SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY AND POTENTIAL THREATS TO SCHOOLS, FACILITIES, STUDENTS, AND EMPLOYEES

1. It is vitally important that local public safety agencies and school officials be made aware of potential threats to schools, students, and employees as quickly as possible. All employees shall, and students and members of the community are strongly encouraged to, promptly make reports concerning unsafe, potentially harmful, dangerous, violent, or criminal activities, or the threat of these activities, to local public safety agencies and/or school officials. The following is a non-exhaustive list of mechanisms to disclose such information by:
 - A. contacting the appropriate local law enforcement agencies with jurisdiction, including school administration when appropriate;
 - B. utilizing the mobile suspicious activity reporting tool made available to students and employees (this method is NOT to be used for immediate threats);
 - C. calling 9-1-1 when the threat is immediate.
2. In addition, employees must also report unsafe, potentially harmful, dangerous, violent, or criminal activities, or the threat of these activities, to the Office of District and School Security in accordance with each facility's School Emergency Operation Plan (SEOP) when appropriate. If the report is made to administration, the administration will determine which method of notification to schools, students, employees, and the public will be made.
3. The identity of the reporting party and any other information received by school officials through the mobile suspicious activity reporting tool is confidential and exempt under Florida's Public Records Act.
4. Paragraph 1 – 3 above applies to all schools and other facilities and vehicles owned and operated by the Board.

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- A. contacting local law enforcement agencies, including _____;
- B. utilizing the Florida Department of Education's mobile suspicious reporting tool ("FortifyFL");
- C. contacting the District's School Safety Specialist as follows:
 - 1. in person at _____;
 - 2. via-telephone at _____;
 - 3. via-email at _____;
- D. calling 9-1-1.

In addition, employees must also report unsafe, potentially harmful, dangerous, violent, or criminal activities, or the threat of these activities, to the Superintendent.

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 3. ~~C.~~ contacting the Office of District Security as follows:
 - a. in person at the Educational Support Facility, 2700 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Viera, Florida 32940;
 - b. via telephone at (321) 633-1000, extension 11233; or
 - c. via email at districtsecurity@brevardschools.org.
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