WEST JEFFERSON HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: TERRORISTIC THREATS

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		218.2. TERRORISTIC THREATS
1.	Purpose	The Board recognizes the danger that terroristic threats by students present to the safety and welfare of district students, staff and community. The Board acknowledges the need for an immediate and effective response to a situation involving such a threat.
2.	Definition 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 2706	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.
3.	Authority	The Board prohibits any district student from communicating terroristic threats directed at any student, employee, Board member, community member or school building.
	20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq Pol. 113.1	In the case of a student with disabilities, the district shall take all steps required to comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and Board policy. 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.
4.	Delegation of Responsibility Title 22 Sec. 12.2	Staff members and students shall be made aware of their responsibility for informing the building principal regarding any information or knowledge relevant to a possible or actual terroristic threat.
		The building principal shall immediately inform the Superintendent after receiving a report of such a threat.

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SC 1302.1-A Pol. 805	The Superintendent 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 regulation and with the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement officials.
	The Superintendent shall be responsible for developing procedures to implement this policy.
SC 1303-A	The Superintendent shall annually, by July 31, report all incidents of terroristic threats to the Office of Safe Schools on the required form in accordance with state law and regulation.
5. Guidelines	When an administrator has evidence that a student has made a terroristic threat or committed a terroristic act, the following guidelines shall be applied:
Pol. 233	1. The building principal may immediately suspend the student.
	2. The building principal will make an effort to contact the parent/guardian.
	3. The building principal shall promptly report the incident to the Superintendent.
	4. Based on further investigation, the Superintendent may report the student to law enforcement officials.
	5. The building principal shall inform any person directly referenced or affected by a terroristic threat.
	6. The Superintendent may recommend expulsion of the student to the Board.
	If a student is expelled for making terroristic threats or committing terroristic acts, 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.
20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq	In the case of a student with disabilities, the district shall take all steps necessary to comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and follow Board policy.
	References:
	School Code – 24 P. S. Sec. 1302.1-A, 1303-A

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State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 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, Title 34, Code of Federal Regulations – 34 CFR Part 300

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