

Protection of Student and Violence Prevention

Policy No. 302.10

The Board of Education, School District No. 91 (Nechako Lakes) recognizes its obligation to provide a safe learning and working environment for all students, employees, parents and volunteers. While the Board cannot guarantee that violent incidents will never occur at school, the Board is committed to taking all reasonable measures to ensure that schools and work sites are safe places in which to learn and work.

To that end, at the beginning of each school year, the Board expects that each student, parent and employee shall be given “due notice” that:

- All threats of violence or incidents of violence shall be taken seriously, investigated and responded to.
- Police will be advised immediately where staff have reasonable grounds to believe that a criminal offence has been or may be committed.
- A community Threat Assessment Team will be formed, where appropriate, and a protocol will be followed which will look at possible risks, assessments and supports for students making threats.

The Board of Education endorses the use of constructive means to resolve conflicts and deal with anger, and encourage education and skill-building as well as leadership among students and staff to prevent violence and abuse.