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Students

Crisis Intervention

Each school shall have a crisis intervention team to respond to urgent situations in the school environment as well as tragic events outside of school that may have a significant impact on the school community.

Youth Suicide Prevention

The Region #10 Board recognizes that suicide is a complex issue and that, while the school may recognize potentially suicidal youth, it cannot make clinical assessment of risk and provide in-depth counseling but must refer the youth to an appropriate place for such assessment and counseling.

Any school employee who may have knowledge of suicide threat must take the proper steps to report this information to the building principal or his/her designee who will, in turn, notify the appropriate school officials, the student's family and appropriate resource services.

Each school shall have a student assistance program that will:

- 1. Identify risk factors for youth suicide:
- 2. Develop procedures to intervene with such youth;
- 3. Provide referral services;
- 4. Offer training for school staff members and students who provide assistance in the program

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes 10-221(e)

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