

STUDENT RISK THREAT ASSESSMENT

Turtle Mountain School Division is committed to creating and maintaining an environment in schools in which students, staff, parent(s)/legal guardian(s), and others feel safe. All threat-related behaviours will be investigated with high risk behaviours taken seriously and high-risk students assessed accordingly.

For the purposes of this policy the following definitions shall apply:

High Level of Concern are those situations involving high-risk that requires immediate police intervention, such as when a student is making a threat and possible access to a weapon.

Medium Level of Concern include, but are not limited to, possession of weapons, bomb threats, and threats to kill or injure others. Threats may be written, verbal, posted on the Internet, or made by gesture. They may be direct, indirect, conditional, or veiled. High risk behaviours are those of students twelve years of age and older who are believed to have contravened Section 264.1 (1) or the Criminal Code of Canada which states that student “who in any manner, knowingly utters, conveys, or causes any person to receive a threat...to cause death or bodily harm” has committed an offense. Although students under twelve (12) years of age cannot be charged under the law, their actions shall be subject to assessment using this protocol.

Low Level of Concern cause concern for members of the school system and may indicate that a student is moving toward a greater risk of violent behaviour. This may include drawing pictures, writing stories, or making vague statements that do not, of themselves, constitute “uttering threats” as defined by law but are causing concern for some members of the school community because of their violent content.

(Refer to the Procedures Manual 4-S and 4-S.1 for guidelines and reporting.)