

Jamestown Area School District

BULLYING POLICY

Bullying by students of students is prohibited. “Bullying” is intentional electronic, written, verbal or physical act, or a series of acts:

1. directed at another student or students;
2. which occurs in a school setting;
3. that is severe, persistent or pervasive; and
4. that has the effect of doing any of the following:
 1. substantially interfering with a student’s education; or
 2. creating a threatening environment in the school setting for any specific student or groups of students; or
 3. substantially disrupting the orderly operation of the school.

“School setting” shall mean in the school, on school grounds, in school vehicles, at a designated bus stop or at any activity sponsored, supervised or sanctioned by the school.

Bullying is prohibited in the school setting.

Students are encouraged to report incidents of bullying to school officials. Students shall report incidents of bullying to the Principal in each school.

The disciplinary consequences for violating the bullying policy shall vary depending on the seriousness and pervasiveness of the bullying. Students who violate the bullying policy may be referred to the District’s counseling program and/or peer mediation and shall also be subject to discipline ranging from detention, to out of school suspension or referral to the Board of Directors for expulsion.

Copies of this Bullying Policy shall be posted in each classroom in the District, on the District’s website, and shall be posted at a prominent location within each school building where such notices are usually posted.