

Bullying and Harassment 2017-2018

9/28/17: High school student confronted a middle school student in defense of her brother. Multiple witnesses confirmed the use of expletives and other threatening phrases. Interviews with all parties were conducted and the high school student admitted to the remarks. She received one day of in-school suspension

10/2/17: Two high school students engaged in verbally abusive actions on social media that resulted in a confrontation on school grounds. Conferences were held with each student separately and the together. Mediation worked and both parties admitted fault with their actions. No further discipline was applied.

10/11/17: A female student accused a classmate and her older sister of harassment and threatening physical harm. Letters were sent home to both parents informing them of the situation. Conferences were held with the students as well as the parents of each party (at their request). Mediation of this issue led to no further punishment.

11/9/17: A female student accused a male classmate of pushing her down in the hallway and then verbally bullying her. Interviews were held with both parties and video surveillance did not support the female's original claim. Both parents were notified of the situation (via phone call) and the staff was advised to separate the students in the classes that they shared.

1/4/18: A male student created a social media account that was used to harass and spread rumors about female students at Springfield High School. Evidence from the social media account was collected as well as a series of text messages. Student in charge of the account was assigned three days of in-school suspension. During his ISS, the student engaged in further insubordinate activities that resulted in a three day out-of-school suspension.

1/12/18: Male student who identifies as transgender accused multiple classmates of harassment on the school bus. All students who were witness to the harassment were interviewed along with the bus driver. The victim's mother was notified of the incident and requested a conference. Seating arrangements were made on the bus to stop future actions and the student who led the verbal attacks was given two days of in-school suspension.

2/9/18: A group of high school students verbally harassed a female student via multiple social media accounts as well as a group text message. Texts and pictures from the social media account were collected as evidence. All students involved were interviewed and their actions resulted in three students receiving two days of in-school suspension and two students receiving three days out-of-school suspension.

4/10/18: Female student refiled a complaint against a special needs male student who has continually made unwarranted and unwanted advances. The male student's parents as well as the high school special education staff were made aware of the situation. I met with the student as well to clarify the situation to him. He received two days of in-school suspension as a result of this incident

4/12/18: Male student used several profane and inappropriate comments regarding the sexual orientation of another student. Several witnesses corroborated the story. Since this was the student's second bullying/harassment offense, he was given five days of out-of-school suspension.