Policy No.	252

KEYSTONE OAKS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Section PUPILS

Policy Guide



Title <u>DATING VIOLENCE</u>

Adopted OCTOBER 20, 2020

Last Revised <u>DECEMBER 5, 2023</u>

	POLICY NO. 252	
	DATING VIOLENCE	
Section 1	<u>Purpose</u>	
	The purpose of this policy is to maintain a safe, positive learning environment for all students that is free from dating violence. Dating violence is inconsistent with the educational goals of the District and is prohibited at all times.	
Section 2	<u>Definitions</u>	
	Dating Partner shall mean a person, regardless of gender, involved in an intimate relationship with another person, primarily characterized by the expectation of affectionate involvement, whether casual, serious or long-term.	SC 1553
	Dating Violence shall mean behavior where one person uses threats of, or actually uses, physical, sexual, verbal or emotional abuse to control the person's dating partner.	SC 1553
Section 3	Authority	
	The Board encourages students who have been subjected to dating violence to promptly report such incidents.	
	The District shall investigate promptly all complaints of dating violence and shall administer appropriate discipline to any student who violates this policy.	Pol. 218
	When a student's behavior indicates a threat to the safety of the student, other students, school employees, school facilities, the community or others, district staff shall report the student to the	SC 1302-E Pol. 236.1

POLICY NO. 252 DATING VIOLENCE

threat assessment team, in accordance with applicable law and Board policy.

Title IX Sexual Harassment and Other Discrimination

Every report of alleged dating violence that can be interpreted at the outset to fall within the provisions of policies addressing potential violations of laws against discrimination shall be handled as a joint, concurrent investigation into all allegations and coordinated with the full participation of the Compliance Officer and Title IX Coordinator. If, in the course of a dating violence investigation, potential issues of discrimination are identified, the Title IX Coordinator shall be promptly notified, and the investigation shall be conducted jointly and concurrently to address the issues of alleged discrimination as well as the incidents of alleged dating violence.

Discipline of Student Convicted or Adjudicated of Sexual

Upon notification of a conviction or adjudication of a student in this district for sexual assault against another student enrolled in this district, the district shall comply with the disciplinary requirements established by state law and Board policy. SC 1318.1 Pol. 218.3

Pol. 103, 103.1

Section 4 Guidelines

Assault

Complaint Procedure

When a student believes that they have been subject to dating violence, the student is encouraged to promptly report the incident, orally or in writing, to any staff member. Students and/or staff members may use form 103-AR-1 for reporting such incidents.

The building principal shall conduct a timely, impartial, and comprehensive investigation of the alleged dating violence.

The building principal shall prepare a written report summarizing the investigation and recommending disposition of the complaint. The complainant and the accused shall be informed of the outcome of the investigation. SC 1553

POLICY NO. 252 DATING VIOLENCE	
If the investigation results in a substantiated finding of dating violence, the building principal shall recommend appropriate disciplinary action, as circumstances warrant, in accordance with the Code of Student Conduct.	SC 1553 Pol. 218
The District shall document the corrective action taken and, where not prohibited by law, inform the complainant.	
This policy on dating violence shall be:	SC 1553
1. Published in the Code of Student Conduct.	
2. Published in the Student Handbook.	
3. Made available on the District's website.	
4. Provided to person(s) in parental relation.	
Dating Violence Training	
The District may provide dating violence training to guidance counselors, nurses, and mental health staff at the high school as deemed necessary. At the discretion of the Superintendent, person(s) in parental relation and other staff may also receive training on dating violence.	SC 1553
Dating Violence Education	
The District may incorporate age-appropriate dating violence education into the annual health curriculum framework for students in grades nine through twelve. The District shall consult with at least one (1) local domestic violence program or rape crisis program when developing the educational program.	SC 1553 71 P.S. 611.13
A person in parental relation of a student under the age of eighteen (18) shall be permitted to examine the instructional materials for the dating violence education program.	SC 1553 Pol. 105.1
At the request of the person in parental relation, the student may be excused from all or part of the dating violence education program.	SC 1553 Pol. 105.2

POLICY NO. 252 DATING VIOLENCE	
References:	
School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1302-E, 1553	
Human Services Code – 71 P.S. Sec. 611.13	
Board Policy – Pol. 103, 103.1, 105.1, 105.2, 218, 218.3, 236.1	