

2024 Texas Behavioral Threat Assessment Guidelines

Section 1: Parental Notification/Involvement

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Before a team can conduct a threat assessment, they must first notify the parent or guardian per Texas Education Code 37.115 (f-1 and f-2).

1. Has the parent or guardian been notified of the threat assessment to be conducted?
 - Yes
 - No
2. Has the team provided an opportunity for the parent or guardian to participate and submit information?
 - Yes (if yes, provide summary below)
 - No
3. If yes to above question, please summarize below what was provided:

4. After completing the threat assessment of a student, did the provide to the parent of or person standing in parental relation to the student the team's findings and conclusions regarding the student?
 - Yes
 - No

Section 2: Employee Confidentiality

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If the person who reports the initial threat is a district employee, they may elect to remain confidential, per Texas Education Code 37.115 (c). However, the name of the employee may be known to the threat assessment team, district staff, and law enforcement, as necessary to investigate the reported threat. The district must maintain a record of the identity of the reporting employee who elected to remain confidential.

1. Was the initial threat reported by a district employee?
 - Yes
 - No
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2. If yes, has the district employee been made aware that they may remain confidential?
 - Yes
 - No (make them aware)
 - N/A
3. Does the district employee wish to remain confidential? (If yes, only include their name in the Summary of the Incident with the following "(Confidential per TEC 37.115. Redact name from all reports)"
 - Yes
 - No
 - N/A

Section 3: SSSP Data Collection Questions for SY2024

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As required by Texas Education Code §37.115(k), Safe and Supportive School Program (SSSP) teams are required to report their annual activities by campus to the Texas Education Agency (TEA). This instrument is the method that is currently being used by the TEA to collect the required data for each campus. SSSP teams are responsible for following the policies and procedures established by their LEA for collecting and maintaining documentation of reported threats, threat assessments conducted, and outcomes of each threat assessment for each campus served by the team.

Data Regarding Threat Reports

1. Did the report involve threats of violence towards both self AND toward others?
 - Yes
 - No
2. Did the threat report involve bullying or cyber bullying?
 - Yes
 - No
3. Did the reporting staff member request to remain confidential in accordance with TEC. §37.115(c)?
 - Yes
 - No

Data Regarding Behavioral Threat Assessment Outcomes

1. Was a behavioral threat assessment conducted after screening the reported threat?
 - Yes
 - No
2. Did the behavioral threat assessment result in referral to mental health support (such as TCHAT or LMHA)?
 - Yes
 - No
3. Did the behavioral threat assessment result in a referral to acute care services?
 - Yes
 - No
4. Did the behavioral threat assessment result in the SSSP team engaging parents and families to develop an intervention and support plan to address a need and to regularly monitor progress?
 - Yes
 - No