Board Policy JGJA: Suicide Prevention Status: ADOPTED

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Suicide Prevention

The Board of Public Education for Bibb County ("Board") shall provide all certificated personnel and, beginning in the 2026-2027 school year, all students, with evidence-based suicide awareness and youth violence prevention training each year,in accordance with the state law and rules established by the Georgia Department of Education.

The Superintendent or designee will develop procedures to address at a minimum, suicide awareness and prevention efforts, intervention, post intervention, and anonymous reporting that is compliant with requirements set out in O.C.G.A. § 20-2-779.1. Such procedures shall be developed in consultation with school and community stakeholders, school-employed mental health professionals, and suicide prevention experts.

Each school within the Bibb County School District ("District") that sponsors or otherwise permits student organizations or clubs will also designate a student-led youth violence prevention club. In accordance with state law, no person shall have a cause of action for any loss or damage caused by any act or omission resulting from the implementation of this policy or its implementing procedures or resulting from any training, or lack thereof, required by state law and this policy. The training, or lack thereof, required by the provisions of state law, shall not be construed to impose any specific duty of care. Neither the training nor the procedures are designed to impose ministerial duties but to provide a framework in which educators can exercise their professional judgment in the best interest of students.