



ANGLOPHONE WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Anglophone West School District has developed a protocol outlining our commitment to creating and maintaining an environment in schools where students, staff, and others feel safe. In order to enhance safety and security, the District has been involved in intensive threat assessment training of school administrators, guidance counsellors, resource teachers and district staff.

The protocol requires trained school staff to complete a "Violence Threat Risk Assessment" in all cases where students make significant threats to harm themselves or others. The purpose of the threat assessment process is to use the best knowledge, skill, and experience available to assess high-risk, threatening behaviours so that appropriate interventions can be identified to protect individuals from harm and to ensure a climate of safety in schools and the community. Please be assured that the school team will be taking measures to deal with all known threats/high-risk behaviours in a positive and proactive manner. If the school team invites you to a meeting to discuss safety concerns about your own child, please be assured that our protocol is being followed and that the goal is safety.

Anglophone West School District will respond to all serious threats. To help keep our school communities safe, parents, students, and community members who have knowledge of a threat or high-risk behaviour are to report this information to the principal. It would be helpful if you would discuss this protocol with your child(ren). Our goal is to respond to all threats in a professional manner that provides for a safe, healthy and caring learning environment.

We appreciate your support in helping ensure our schools are safe environments for all children.

Sincerely,

David McTimoney
Superintendent