



FORT LORAMIE LOCAL SCHOOLS

"A Great Place to Learn and a Great Place to Live"

August 3, 2015

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On February 2, 2012, the Ohio House passed HB116, which is known as the bullying bill or the Jessica Logan Act.

The Ohio Revised Code (RC 3313.666 D) requires all school districts in Ohio to send home a written statement once a year to each student's custodial parent or guardian describing the policy and consequences for policy violations. This letter is the result of that mandate.

Our policy states, "Harassment, intimidation and bullying behavior means any intentional written, verbal, graphic, or physical act including electronically transmitted acts i.e., Internet, cell phone, personal digital assistance, or wireless hand-held device, either overt or covert, by a student or group of students toward other student(s)/school personnel with the intent to harass, intimidate, injure, threaten, ridicule, or humiliate. Such behaviors are prohibited on or immediately adjacent to school grounds, at any school-sponsored activity, on school provided transportation, or at any official school bus stop that a reasonable person under the circumstances should know will have the effect of: causing mental or physical harm to other student/school personnel including placing an individual in reasonable fear of physical harm and/or damaging of student's personal property; and, is sufficiently severe, persistent, or pervasive that it creates an intimidating, threatening, or abusive educational environment for the other student/school personnel; physical violence and/or attacks; threats, taunts, and intimidation through words and/or gestures; extortion, damage or stealing of money through possessions; exclusion from the peer group or spreading rumors; repetitive and hostile behavior with the intent to harm others through the use of information and communication technologies and other web-based/on-line sites, also known as "cyber-bullying." Posting slurs on web-sites or on web-logs; sending abusive or threatening instant messages; using camera phones to take embarrassing photograph and posting them on-line; using web-sites to circulate gossip and rumors to other students; excluding others from an on-line group by falsely reporting them for inappropriate language to Internet Service Providers.

Please take some time to discuss the topic of bullying with your child(ren). The law has expanded the traditional definition of bullying and is advocating appropriate discipline for those who bully others. Discipline may include suspension and/or expulsion from school.

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If you have any questions about the actual policy or regulation, please feel free to contact us. Thank you for cooperating with us to protect all of our students.

With Redskin Pride,

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