

Student Threat Assessment

The Pembina Trails School Division is committed to creating and maintaining school environments in which students, staff, parents and others feel safe. Schools cannot ignore any threat of violence. To this end, the Board has established a protocol for responding to student threats/high-risk behaviours.

Each school in the Division shall establish a Threat Assessment Team (TAT). The Threat Assessment Team is a multidisciplinary team trained in threat assessment and composed of professional school and Divisional staff, police and other community resource contacts as required. One member of the team shall be assigned as Team Leader. Team members review student threats, consult, develop action plans and recommendations in order to provide intervention to students and their families in a proactive way.

The Threat Assessment Team (TAT) shall also ensure that appropriate support is provided to those against whom threats have been made and shall notify school staff and parents as required. The Team Leader shall be responsible for ensuring that responsive risk-reducing interventions are implemented and that the established Intervention Plan is monitored and reviewed as appropriate.

Following activation of the Threat Assessment process, the Team Leader shall be responsible for completing or designating the completion of relevant student threat assessment documentation and accompanying Intervention Plans where appropriate.

Documentation and information storage

Personal information is collected in the interest of safety and for the purpose of understanding risk and the potential for violence or harm toward members of the school community.

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Documentation pertaining to student threat assessment is highly confidential and not to be included in the Pupil File. Access is limited to school administration, senior administration team, Coordinator of Clinical Services, and trained clinicians. Information collected shall be maintained in accordance with PHIA and FIPPA regulations and with respect to an individual's rights to privacy to the fullest extent possible.

Information pertaining to the assessment of a student's worrisome or threatening behaviour will be shared on a need-to-know basis as determined by the school administrator in consultation with the Threat Assessment Team. In the event of a school transfer, the sending school administration team shall be responsible for ensuring that relevant findings and recommendations are shared with the receiving school administration team.

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