DELAWARE VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: TERRORISTIC THREATS/ACTS

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		218.2. TERRORISTIC THREATS/ACTS
1.	Purpose	The Board recognizes the danger that terroristic threats and acts by students presents to the safety and welfare of district students, staff and community. The Board
		acknowledges the need for an immediate and effective response to a situation involving such a threat or act.
2.	Definitions 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 2706	Terroristic threat - shall mean a threat to commit violence communicated with the intent to terrorize another; to cause evacuation of a building; or to cause serious public inconvenience, in reckless disregard of the risk of causing such terror or inconvenience.
	18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 3301-4101 Sec. 2301-3201	Terroristic act - shall mean an offense against property or involving danger to another person.
3.	Authority	The Board prohibits any district student from communicating terroristic threats or committing terroristic acts directed at any student, employee, Board member, community member or school building.
4.	Delegation of Responsibility	The Board directs the Superintendent to react promptly and appropriately to information and knowledge concerning a possible or actual terroristic threat or act.
		The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for developing administrative procedures to implement this policy.
	Title 22 Sec. 12.2	Staff members and students shall be responsible for informing the building principal regarding any information or knowledge relevant to a possible or actual terroristic threat or act.
		The building principal shall immediately inform the Superintendent after receiving a report of such a threat or act.

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5.	Guidelines	When an administrator has evidence that a student has made a terroristic threat or committed a terroristic act, the following guidelines shall be applied:
	Pol. 233	1. The building principal shall immediately suspend the student.
		2. The building principal shall promptly report the incident to the Superintendent.
		3. Based on further investigation, the Superintendent may report the student to law enforcement officials.
		4. The building principal shall inform any person directly referenced or affected by a terroristic threat.
		5. The Superintendent may recommend expulsion of the student to the Board.
		If a student is expelled for making terroristic threats or committing terroristic acts, the Board may require, prior to readmission, that the student provide competent and credible evidence that the student does not pose a risk of harm to others.
	20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq	In the case of students with disabilities, the district will take all steps necessary to comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Improvement Education Act and follow Board policy.