



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

Date: November 3, 2021
To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads
Route To: School Principals, District Homeroom Administrators, Data Coordinators, Anti-Bullying Coordinators
From: Kathy Ehling, Assistant Commissioner
Division of Educational Services
Deadline: January 31, 2022

School Year 2021-2022 Student Safety Data System Opening

The Student Safety Data System (SSDS) is open for reporting for the 2021-2022 school year. The SSDS collects incidents of violence, vandalism, weapons, substance use, and harassment, intimidation and bullying (HIB), as well as HIB trainings and programs conducted to support anti-bullying efforts. Pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 6A:16-5.3(d)1*, local educational agencies must submit reports twice per year. The report period 1 submission due date is January 31, 2022; the report period 2 submission due date is August 10, 2022. Although official submission is required twice a year, the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) encourages LEAs to review their data on a monthly basis to help ensure timely, effective responses to incidents.

Access to the SSDS, along with online resources to support data submission, are available on the [Student Safety Data System webpage](#).

Questions concerning the SSDS should be directed to ssds@doe.nj.gov.

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