STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

Date: November 4, 2026

To: Local Educational Agency Leads, Administrators of Approved Private Schools for Students with Disabilities

Route To: School Principals, District Homeroom Administrators, Data Coordinators, Anti-Bullying Coordinators

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Deadline: February 1, 2027

Student Safety Data System Opening

The Student Safety Data System (SSDS) is open for reporting for the 2026-2027 school year. The SSDS collects information on incidents of violence, vandalism, weapons, substances, harassment, intimidation and bullying (HIB), restraint, seclusion and other incidents leading to removal, as well as HIB trainings and programs conducted to support anti-bullying efforts. The first report period submission due date is **February 1, 2027.**

Access to the SSDS and additional online resources, including a User Manual, Guidance document and various example reporting forms 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.