

NEW JERSEY CARES ABOUT CYBER-BULLYING



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Model Policy Prohibiting Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying on School Property, at School Sponsored Functions and on School Busses

Legislation (N.J.S.A. 18A:37-13 et seq.) enacted on September 6, 2002 requires each school district to adopt, by September 1, 2003, a policy prohibiting harassment, intimidation and bullying on school property, at school-sponsored functions and on school busses. To assist each school district in developing these policies, the legislation also requires the Commissioner of Education to develop and issue a model policy applicable to grades kindergarten through 12, by December 1, 2002.

Under N.J.S.A. 18A:37-15, each school district is granted local control over the contents of the policy and ancillary procedures, but, at a minimum, the ten components listed in the authorizing statute must be included in a school district's policy prohibiting harassment, intimidation and bullying. Some of the provisions of the authorizing statute call for the school district to stipulate the consequences and appropriate remedial actions for the following instances: 1) persons violating the policy; 2) persons who engage in reprisal or retaliation against someone who reports a violation of the policy; and 3) persons who falsely report allegations of harassment, intimidation or bullying as a means of retaliation or as a means of harassment, intimidation or bullying. Another provision of the statute requires the school district's policy to articulate the range of different measures a school will take to respond to violations of the policy.

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What is Cyber-bullying?

1. Why is cyber-bullying important to educators and law enforcement personnel?

- Cyberbullying is important because it is the newest form of intimidation and harassment among students that is becoming increasingly evident across the nation.
- Regarded as the newest form of bullying, Cyber-Bullying is defined as when a student uses information and communication technologies such as email, cell phone and pager text messaging, instant messaging, defamatory personal Web sites and defamatory online personal polling Web sites to harass, humiliate, intimidate and/or threaten other students on the Internet.
- Across the United States, teenagers are increasingly using the Internet to deliver derogatory photographs and cruel and harmful messages, which can include racial, religious, cultural and sexual slurs.
- The striking difference between old-fashioned bullying and Cyber-Bullying is that Cyber-Bullying can occur both on and off school grounds, making the victims extremely vulnerable and susceptible to this new type of bullying at virtually all times of the day.
- Furthermore, another difference is that, with Cyber-Bullying, the bully does not see the immediate impact that his or her bullying has on the victim. Bullies do not see the harm they have caused their victims, which make them less capable of actually feeling remorseful or empathetic to the victim for their actions.
- It is extremely important that both educators and law enforcement personnel are aware of the dangerous threat that Cyber-Bullying poses to the youth of America.
- Most Cyber-Bullying does in fact occur off school grounds, which makes educators and the schools limited in what they can do to prevent it.
- Adults are very often unaware that their children may be victims of Cyber-Bullying because it occurs away from their watchful eyes. Research shows that 50% of kids are online most of the time without adult supervision.
- As Cyber-Bullying increases, law enforcement officers are creating networks that specialize in cybercrime investigation and training. Moreover, there are legal issues, such as free speech and district negligence, that need to be addressed in regards to Cyber-Bullying. Criminal laws and civil law remedies also may apply to Cyber-Bullying situations.

2. What is the Division of Criminal Justice doing about the problem?

- In New Jersey, there is an amendment to the bullying legislation that passed two years ago which would include provisions and terms to cover Cyber-Bullying under the same law. This amendment is currently under review in the New Jersey State Senate.
- The Office of Bias Crime and Community Relations is sponsoring this Cyber-Bullying conference to inform and educate law enforcement personnel and educators on the dangers of Cyber-Bullying. This statewide conference is the first of its kind in the United States. Due to the high responses received in relation to registration for the spring conference, this conference was planned.
- The Office of Bias Crime and Community Relations also has a toll-free hotline service to address situations of bullying. Recently, more and more calls about situations involving Cyber-Bullying have been coming in to this hotline.

3. Call to Action - What everyone must do

- **Educators:** Supervision and even limiting use of the internet while at school is a key in combatting Cyber-Bullying. Discouraging the use of instant messenger and chat room programs while at school is a part of this supervision. Disallowing the use of cell phones as a general rule prevents the use of text messaging as a form of Cyber-Bullying. Resources for educators on Cyber-Bullying include an Educators Guide to Cyberbullying, found on cyberbully.org, and books that provide educators with information and resources on the subject.
- **Law Enforcement:** One of the main resources for law enforcement at this point in time is the network of law enforcement officers known as Cyber Law Enforcement. These officers specialize in cybercrime investigation and training. The issues they investigate include child pornography, cyberstalking, cyberscams and fraud online. Their website is located at www.cyberlawenforcement.org.
- **Adults:** Supervision and even limiting use of the internet while at home is also an essential key in combatting Cyber-Bullying. Adults need to realize the threat that Cyber-Bullying poses to their children and must begin supervising what they do, who they talk to and what they see on the internet. Supervising the use of cell phones is also a safe bet.
- **Victims:** Most victims of Cyber-Bullying are so impacted by the threats and harassment that they keep quiet and never report it to their parents, teachers or friends. It is important that victims realize that we are collectively here to fight this new form of bullying so as to protect the welfare of our children for the future. With that, if at any time any victim experiences any form of bullying or Cyber-Bullying, you must know that it is OK to report it.

Cyber-Bullying Web sites

iSAFE

www.isafe.org

Cyber Bullying

www.kidscape.org.uk/childrenteens/cyberbullying.shtml

Cyber Bullying

www.cyberbullying.ca/info.html

What is Cyber Bullying?

www.netalert.net.au/01569-What-is-Cyber-Bullying.asp

MindOH! Foundation

www.mindohfoundation.org/bullying.htm

Cyberbullying: Cyberbullying On The Internet

www.bullyonline.org

Challenging Cyber Bullying

www.bewebaware.ca/english/CyberBullying.aspx

Internet Super Hero - Cyberbullying, Flaming, Cyberstalking

<http://internetsuperheroes.org/cyberbullying>

Cyber Snitch Headquarters (Law Enforcement)

www.cybersnitch.net

Bullying Online

www.besafeonline.org

The Positive Learning Climates KnowledgeBase

www.helpforschools.com

Dealing With Online Bullies

http://cybersmartcurriculum.org/lesson_plans/68_04.Asp

Mobilizing Educators, Parents, Students, and Others to Combat Online bullying

www.cyberbully.org

National Center For Missing & Exploited Children

www.missing.kids.com

NetSmartz

www.netsmartz.org

New Jersey Bias Crime Officers Association (NJBCOA) Members

If you require legal advise on whether a cyber-bullying incident should be referred for criminal prosecution please contact the Juvenile Section Chief in your respective county:

**Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office
609-909-7800**

A.P. James McClain
Lt. Timothy Alexander

**Bergen County Prosecutor's Office
201-646-2300**

A.P. Lisa Perez-Friscia
Det. Sylvia Presto

**Burlington County Prosecutor's Office
609-265-5035**

A.P. John Brennan
Sgt. Nicole Eugene

**Camden County Prosecutor's Office
856-225-8400**

A.P. Robert Luther
Inv. George Saunders

**Cape May County Prosecutor's Office
609-465-1135**

A.P. Barbara Bakley-Marino
Det. David Hogan

**Cumberland County Prosecutor's Office
856-453-0486**

Det. Jasmin Roman

**Essex County Prosecutor's Office
973-621-4700**

A.P. Prosper Bellizia
Inv. Robert Harris
Inv. Julie Graves

**Gloucester County Prosecutor's Office
856-384-5500**

A.P. Jacqueline Caban
A.P. Audrey Curwin
Det. Langdon Sills

**Hudson County Prosecutor's Office
201-795-6400**

A.P. Al Iglesias
Det. Lois Aria

**Hunterdon County Prosecutor's Office
908-788-1129**

A.P. Harvey Lester
Det. Joyce Hanshaw

**Mercer County Prosecutor's Office
609-989-6350**

A.P. Al Garcia
Det. Jorge Rosario

**Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office
732-745-3300**

A.P. Julie Davidson
Sgt. John Rodriguez

**Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office
732-431-7160**

A.P. Greg Schweers
Det. David D'Amico
Sgt. Wesley Mayo

Monmouth County Sheriff's Office

732-431-7138

Sr. Inv. Lester Osborne

Morris County Prosecutor's Office

973-285-6200

A.P. Catherine Broderick

Det. Deborah Van Fleet

Det. Elaine Stewart

Ocean County Prosecutor's Office

732-929-2027

A.P. Madelaine Einbinder

Inv. Cindy Boyd

Passaic County Prosecutor's Office

973-881-4800

A.P. David L. Pine

Inv. Bill Oliver

Salem County Prosecutor's Office

856-935-7510

A.P. John Reilly

Det. Amy Martin

Somerset County Prosecutor's Office

908-231-7100

A.P. Kathleen Holly

Sgt. John Fodor

Det. Dave Whipple

Sussex County Prosecutor's Office

973-383-1570

A.P. Robin Lawrie

Sgt. Patrick Higgins

Union County Prosecutor's Office

908-527-4500

A.P. Dave Hancock

Sgt. Ana Zsak

Warren County Prosecutor's Office

908-475-6275

A.P. Steven Siegel

Lt. Jody Emery

DCJ (*Division of Criminal Justice*)

609-896-8967

DAG Hester Agudosi

SSI Alex Adkins

SI Thomas Culp

SI Lisa Cawley

SI Brian Christensen

SI Hector Montano

SI Eugene Troyansky

FBI (*Federal Bureau of Investigation*)

973-792-3000

SSA Vernon Addison

NJSP (*New Jersey State Police*)

609-882-2000

Sgt. Joseph Griffin

U.S. Dept. of Justice

212-264-0700

Reg. Dir. Reinaldo Rivera

Juvenile Unit Chiefs List by County

Atlantic County

609-909-7800

Jack Walton

Bergen County

201-646-2300

Denyse Coyle Galda

Burlington County

609-265-5035

Robert Van Gilst

Camden County

856-225-8400

Diane Marano

Cape May County

609-465-1135

William Kirkbride

Cumberland County

856-453-4667

Kevin Guinan

Essex County

973-621-4700

Andrea Johnson

Gloucester County

856-384-5500

Lloyd Henderson

Hudson County

201-795-6400

David Sharpe

Hunterdon County

908-788-1129

Harvey Lester

Mercer County

609-989-6309

Amy Shoenfelt

Middlesex County

732-745-3333

Ralph Cretella

Monmouth County

732-431-7160

Barry Serebnick

Morris County

973-285-6200

Chris Quade

Ocean County

732-929-2027

Anthony Pierro

Passaic County

973-881-4800

Michael J. O'Shea

Salem County

856-935-7510

Curtis Hurff (*Juvenile – Probation*)

Greg Wolf (*Juvenile – Family*)

Somerset County

908-231-7100

Tom Chirichella

Sussex County

973-383-1570

Jerome Neidhardt

Union County

908-527-4500

Doreen Yanik

Warren County

908-475-6287

Tara Kirkendall

This partial list of ISP's is taken from www.infobin.com. It contains a variety of ISPs and similar information services, specifically, contacts at the legal departments for service of subpoena, court orders, and search warrants. For a complete listing, please visit the website or it's parent company site www.jatero.com.

AMERICA ONLINE

Contact: N/A
Online Service America Online
Online Service Address 22000 AOL Way,
Dulles, Virginia 20166
Voice Number 703-265-1933
Fax Number 703-265-2305
Emergencies
Business Hours 703-265-1933
Emergencies
After Hours 703-265-COPS (2677)
In San Francisco:
Francis Soto
466 Ellis Street, Mountain View, CA 94043
650-937-4994
650-428-4366 (Fax)

AT&T BROADBAND (Formally Mediaone)

Contact: Michael Gosline,
Legal Demands Center Manager
Online Service AT&T Broadband
Online Service Address
183 Inverness Dr. West,
Suite 100-N, Englewood
Voice Number 720-267-2690
Cell Number 720-480-2777
Fax Number 720-267-2794
E-mail mgosline@broadband.att.com

AT&T WORLDNET

Contact: Edgar Stephenson
Online Service AT&T Worldnet,
Advantis
500 Mamaroneck Ave, Harrison, NY 10528
Advantis-B – Net Name
Online Service Address 1800 Perimeter
Park Dr., Suite 100, Morrisville, NC 27560
Voice Number 919-319-8187
Fax Number 919-319-8154
E-Mail estephenson@att.com

Fax a copy of the process (*subpoena, warrant, summons, whatever*) to Edgar at the same time it is sent to one of the agents so that the request is processed as quickly as possible. Also, anyone can call Edgar to get the name, address, and phone numbers for an agent in each state.

COMPUSERVE INTERACTIVE SERVICES, INC.

Contact : Dan Piskur,
Security Manager & Legal Liaison
Online Service CompuServe
Interactive Services, Inc.
Online Service Address 5000 Arlington
Centre Blvd., Columbus, OH 43220
Voice Number 614-538-4257
Fax Number 614-457-9665
E-Mail Contact
70000.753@compuserve.com

EARTHLINK / MINDSPRING

Contact: Subpoena
Compliance Division, Esteban Martorell
Online Service Earthlink Network Inc.
Online Service Address Earthlink Legal
Department, 1375 Peacetrete Street, NE ,
Level A, Atlanta, GA 30309
Voice Number 404-748-6191
Subpoenas and search warrants are only
accepted via US Certified Mail, UPS,
FEDEX, and Airbourne Express

JUNO ONLINE SERVICES

Contact: Andrew Mercer,
Custodian of Records
Online Service Juno Online Services,
Juno.com
Online Service Address
75 9th Ave, 4th Fl, New York, NY 1001
Voice Number 212-596-9009,
Andrew Mercer 212-597-9795
Fax Number 212-597-9125

MSN

The following should be used for all MSN Properties including WebTV, Chat etc.
 Contact: MSN Custodian of Records
 Online Service MSN, Microsoft Corporation
 Online Service Address 1 Microsoft Way,
 Redmond, Washington, 98052-6399

Voice Number 425-722-1299
 Fax Number 425-727-3490

Responses will be sent via facsimile, unless otherwise requested

MSN Hotmail and .NET Passport: Contact
 Name MSN Custodian Of Records
 Online Service Address 1065 La Avenida,
 Building 4, Mountain View, CA 94043

Voice Number 425-722-1299
 Fax Number 650-693-7061

Responses will be sent via facsimile unless otherwise requested.

NETSCAPE

Contact: *Legal Department*, Francis Soto
 Online Service Netscape
 Online Service Address
 360 West Caribbean Dr.,
 Sunnyvale, CA 94089

Voice Number 650-937-5898
 650-937-5555 (*Emergency contact number*)
 Fax Number 650-937-4366

NETZERO

Contact: Anthony DeToro, *Corporate Counsel*
 Online Service NetZero
 Online Service Address 2555 Townsgate
 Road, Westlake Village, CA 91361-2650

Voice Number 805-418-2316
 Fax Number 805-418-2012
 E-Mail Contact anthonyd@corp.netzero.net

VERIZON ON-LINE (*GTE.net LLC legacy*)

Contact: Scott Lebrede,
Legal Compliance and External Affairs
 Online Service Verizon On-Line,
 BellAtlantic.net, GTE.net
 (*GTE.net LLC Legacy*)

Online Service Address 4055 Corporate
 Drive, Grapevine, TX 76051
 Voice Number 214-513-6807

Fax Number 214-513-6795
 1-800-483-2280 – Non Business hours
 and emergency only

Email Investigations@ins.gte.com
 (*Non-Business hours and Emergencies*
Contact Operation Support Center
 @ 800-483-2280)

VERIZON WIRELESS (*Formally Airtouch*)

Contact: N/A
 Online Service Verizon Wireless
 Online Service Address CellCo Partnership
 d/b/a/ Verizon Wireless,
 51 Chubb Way Branchburg, NJ 08876
 Voice Number 908-429-3885

Fax Number (*Subpoena*) 908-203-5876/5878
 Fax Number (*Court Order*) 908-203-5875/5877

WEBTV (*A Division of Microsoft*)

Contact Name James Whitright
 Online Service MSN TV Service
 Online Service Address
 Voice Number 650-705-6603
 Fax Number 650-727-3490
 E-Mail Contact

YAHOO, INC

Contact: Yahoo! Custodian of Records
 Online Service Yahoo!
 Online Service Address
 701 First Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94089
 Contact Number 408-349-3300
 Fax Number 408-349-7941

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