Steps to Effective Bullying Prevention/Intervention Practice:

Readiness, Preparation, Implementation, Sustainability

A Planning Template

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INTRODUCTION:

This document was developed as part of the efforts of the Washington State <u>Anti-Bullying Work group</u>. It is a tool to help districts and schools to maintain focus an attention on anti-bullying and anti-harassment. In particular, this document responds to the mandate to:

- (c) Identify curriculum and best practices for school districts to improve school climate, create respectful learning environments, and train staff and students in de-escalation and intervention techniques;
- (d) Identify curriculum and best practices for incorporating instruction about mental health, youth suicide prevention, and the prevention of bullying and harassment.

It is a planning template to help implement effective anti-HIB efforts, as well as to increase students' knowledge and understanding of two key correlates of bullying and harassment, depression and youth suicide. *It is a work in progress*.

Accompanying this template, the "Steps to Effective Bullying Prevention: Planning Rubric" is also available.

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| Stage I - Readiness | Prior to beginning anti-HIB efforts, the district or school examines its readiness to benefit. | Sample resources and tools are provided for each Stage. |
| Stage II - Preparation | In preparation, the district or school considers its existing resources and its needs. | |
| Stage III - Implementation | Training needs and program implementation are considered. | |
| Stage IV – Sustainability | Ongoing training, implementation, funding and other long-term considerations are examined. | |
| Definitions | Critical terms in HIB and types of resource are provided. | |
| Hyperlinked Resource List | A list of the URLs for resources hyperlinked within the document | The sample resources are hyperlinked within the document. However, for those reading a printed copy, the URLs are spelled out. |

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| STAGE I – READINESS | | |
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| Component/Activity | Sample Resources & Tools | Who is Involved? |
| Identify legislated/mandated, policy & procedural requirements | 1. <u>School Safety Center Bullying & Harassment</u> Web Page | District Level: HIB Compliance Officer; School Administration |
| Assess school readiness and commitment to implement a systemic approach | Rubric, checklist, and/or surveys, such as: Olweus Readiness Assessment CASEL Practice Rubric Olweus Bullying Questionnaire CA School Climate Survey Data collection – surveys, discipline/HIB data (e. State, OCR reporting) to determine extent of problem and perception of problem | Principal/Administration Team taking the lead (school leadership team or coordinating committee may also support these efforts); ultimately all faculty and staff participate in readiness assessment |
| Develop faculty, staff, parent | Data collection – Continue to assess extent of problem | Faculty, staff, students, |
| buy-in and support | 2. Disseminate data and gather additional input | parents, district administration |
| Research and select resources/program that reflect best practice and right "fit" | DEFINE: (See attached) 1. Framework/Approach: 2. Program: 3. Curriculum: 4. Resource/Tool: SEE: http://www.k12.wa.us/SafetyCenter/BullyingHarassment/pubdocs/RESOURCES-HIB-WAState-DigitalSafety.pdf Other online resources (stopbullying.gov, etc.) | Determined by school or district |
| Acquire necessary funds for | School district budgets | Determined by school or |
| development, implementation, and sustainability | 2. Grants | district |

| STAGE II – PREPARATION | | |
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| Component/Activity | Sample Resources &Tools | Who is Involved? |
| Create Coordinating Committee of key stakeholders to drive efforts Current site-based committee New Committee | Consider if this work could fall within the scope of a current school committee. Consider utilizing building sitebased decision-making model. | Membership includes at a minimum: principal, counselor, teacher from each grade level, paraprofessional, two parents; participation from a community member is preferred. |
| Determine what data to collect; track and evaluate data to inform implementation | a. Surveys or questionnaires b. HYS-Healthy Youth Survey c. YRBS-Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance d. Olweus Bullying Questionnaire e. Discipline records f. Student Behavior Data (HIB, required State and OCR reports) g. Online reporting systems h. Your district SIS i. Other Examples: Online Reporting Tools: a. CyberBullyHotline: http://www.cyberbullyhotline.com/ b. School Messenger: http://talk.schoolmessenger.com/ j. Sprigeo: http://www.sprigeo.com/ | Assess students, faculty and staff, parents |
| Assess and acquire resources: | SAMPLES: | Determined and supported by school and |
| curriculum/frameworks and/or program resources that support systems approach. Consider: Tested Effective/Best-Promising Practice Age/cultural appropriateness | a. PBIS Framework b. OJJDP Model Program Guide c. Olweus Bullying Prev. Program d. Steps to Respect (Curriculum) e. Community Matters/SSA f. The Pacer Institute | district. |

| ☐ Cost: initial & ongoing | g. <u>Safe & Civil Schools</u> | |
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| Training components (see Stage III | h. Rachel's Challenge | |
| Implementation) | i. <u>Tribes</u> | |
| Impact of selected | j. <u>Restorative Practices</u> | |
| Program/curriculum/framework in | k. <u>Cyberbullying</u> | |
| all phases: implementation, | I. Common Sense Media; | |
| maintenance, and sustainability | CSM-Stand Up, Not Standing By: Cyberbullying | |
| | <u>Toolkit</u> | |
| | m. <u>Suicide Prevention</u> (YSPP) | |
| | n. Supplemental Reading Lists: | |
| | 1. Recommended Children's | |
| | <u>Books</u> , Ludwig | |
| | 2. Olweus Companion | |
| | Bibliography, K-12, OBBP | |
| | 3. <u>The Revealers</u> , Doug Wilhelm | |
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| STAGE III – IMPLEMENTATION | | |
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| Component/Activity | Sample Resources & Tools | Who is Involved? |
| Provide training to increase knowledge of definitions, rules, expectations, state and district policies and procedures Provide training to increase knowledge of: Definition and psychology of bullying Definition and recognition of HIB Prevention/Intervention strategies Reporting, documenting and tracking Working with targets, those who bully, bystanders Cyberbullying/digital safety Program specific implementation | As determined in Preparation Stage SAMPLES: 1. School Safety Center Training PPTs 2. Olweus BBP 3. Canfield SafeSchools Training 4. District online resources (Skyward, etc.) | Faculty, staff – other adults such as volunteers, parents will receive some of this content as deemed appropriate; District HIB Compliance Officer; Trainer(s) |
| Provide on-going training to develop and sustain skills in on-the-spot intervention, follow-up intervention, facilitating class meetings, executing an annual "kick"-off events. | | Faculty, staff (includes campus security, SRO, bus drivers, kitchen staff, etc.) — other adults such as volunteers, parents may receive some of this training, as deemed appropriate (for example, follow-up intervention training would not be appropriate for a volunteer) |
| Provide training to increase knowledge and skills that support components that are not solely HIB related: ☐ Classroom management ☐ Student conduct & discipline (e.g. Discipline with Dignity, Love and Logic, PBIS, Positive Discipline, etc.) ☐ Supervision of students ☐ Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) ☐ School climate systemic strategies | samples: a. PBIS Framework b. OJJDP Model Program Guide c. Olweus BBP d. Steps to Respect e. The Pacer Institute f. Safe & Civil Schools g. Rachel's Challenge h. Tribes i. Restorative Practices | Faculty, staff (includes campus security, SRO, bus drivers, kitchen staff, custodians, Paras, coaches, etc.); other adults such as volunteers, parents may also receive some of this training, as deemed appropriate. |

| ☐ Cultural competence | j. <u>Love and Logic</u> k. <u>Discipline with Dignity</u> l. <u>Positive Discipline</u> | |
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| Develop strategies to provide on-going support for: Faculty and staff Parents and family members Students who are targeted, are aggressors and are bystanders | Second Step Olweus District and building websites | Coordinating committee, administration; District HIB Compliance Officer; Trainer(s) |
| Ongoing documentation | | |

| STAGE IV - SUSTAINABILITY | | |
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| Component/Activity | Sample Resources & Tools | Who is Involved? |
| Drive year-to-year efforts to ensure new faculty and staff are trained; school adheres to fidelity of efforts; all school personnel are supported; consider the option of incorporating sustainability strategies into school improvement plans, school safety plans. | Refer to all sample resources noted in this document Add new, 'fresh' resources | Compliance Officer; Principal, Administration Team; Coordinating Committee; focus on refresher and/or deeper trainings for continuing staff & other stakeholders; new staff, volunteers, parents, partners. |
| Continue annual data gathering for assessment/evaluation purposes | Surveys or questionnaires k. HYS-Healthy Youth Survey l. YRBS-Youth Risk Behavior | Who is collecting and analyzing data determined by school or district; data shared with all stakeholders; may include Compliance Officer. |
| Revise & adjust annually, as needed | | Principal, Administration Team; |
| Use data to inform. | | Coordinating Committee |
| Continued funding | Building/district budget Grants | |

DEFINITIONS

HIB – 28A.300.265 Harassment, intimidation, or bullying" means any intentionally written message or image—including those that are electronically transmitted—verbal, or physical act, including but not limited to one shown to be motivated by race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, including gender

 Physically harms a student or damages the student's property or

expression or identity, mental or physical

disability or other distinguishing

characteristics, when an act:

- Has the effect of substantially interfering with a student's education or
- Is so severe, persistent or pervasive that it creates an intimidating or threatening educational environment or
- Has the effect of substantially disrupting the orderly operation of the school.

Bullying, Intimidation & Harassment

Bullying – intentional, repeated, negative, lack of empathy, power imbalance

Intimidation - implied or overt threats of physical violence WAC 495A-121-011

Harassment - any malicious act, which causes harm to any person's physical or mental well being

WAC 495A121-011

Discriminatory harassment does not have to include intent to harm, be directed at a specific target, or involve repeated incidents. <u>Prohibiting Discrimination in WA Public Schools</u>, p. 32

Malicious harassment – threat to harm (often based on protected category; biased-based)

Sexual harassment - unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors and other verbal or physical conduct directed at person because of his/her sex where:

- (a) Submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's academic standing or employment; or
- (b) Submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for academic decisions or employment affecting such individual; or
- (c) Such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work or academic performance or creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive working or learning environment.

WAC 495A-121-011

Hazing - any method of initiation into a student

Resource Type

For the purposes of this document, the following definitions are used:

Framework/Approach: An overarching, district or school-wide SEL, climate or prevention-intervention structure (ex.: PBIS)

Program: A set of training and/or classroom materials designed to facilitate the implementation of a framework or approach (ex.: Olweus BPP

Curriculum: A (sequenced) set of classroom materials, with teacher guidance for implementation (ex.: STR; 2nd Step; SPS MS Cyberbullying); may be part of a "**program**".

Other Resources: Background, supplemental or other materials to support understanding or implementation of any of the above.

Tools: Specific, often hands-on, materials, resources, templates, etc., used to facilitate implementation of a framework, program or curriculum.

| organization or living group that causes, or is likely to cause bodily danger or physical harm, or serious mental or emotional harm WAC 56-21-120: http://apps.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=516-21-120 | |
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Hyperlinked Resources:

Name: URL:

CA School Climate Survey http://www.olc.edu/~jolson/socialwork/OnlineLibrary/California%20School%20Climate%20Survey%20-%20Staff.pdf

Canfield Safe Schools Training http://www.safeschools.com

CASEL Practice Rubric http://casel.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/04/Rubric.pdf
Common Sense media http://www.commonsensemedia.org/educators/curriculum

Community Matters/SSA http://community-matters.org
Cyber Bully Hotline http://www.cyberbullyhotline.com

Cyberbullying Resources http://www.k12.wa.us/SafetyCenter/InternetSafety/pubdocs/RESOURCESCyberbullyingDigitalSafety2012.pdf

Discipline with Dignity http://www.tlc-sems.com/Discipline-With-Dignity.aspx

Healthy Youth Survey http://www.askhys.net/layout.asp?page=intro

Love and Logic http://www.loveandlogic.com/
OJJDP Model Program Guide http://www.ojjdp.gov/mpg

Olweus Bullying Prevention Program

http://www.violencepreventionworks.org/public/index.page

Olweus Bullying Questionnaire

http://fea.nipsa.org/documents/bullying/Olweus%20Survey.pdf

Olweus Readiness Assessment http://www.violencepreventionworks.org/public/olweus-preparation.page

Pacer Institute http://www.pacer.org/bullying/

PBIS http://www.pbis.org

Positive Discipline http://www.positivediscipline.com
Rachel's Challenge http://www.rachelschallenge.org

Restorative Practices http://www.transformingconflict.org/content/home

Safe & Civil Schools
School Messenger
http://www.safeandcivilschools.com
http://talk.schoolmessenger.com

School Safety Center Bullying & Harassment http://www.k12.wa.us/SafetyCenter/BullyingHarassment/default.aspx

Sprigeo http://www.sprogeo.com

Steps to Respect http://www.cfchildren.org/steps-to-respect
Suicide Prevention (YSPP)

http://www.yspp.org/curriculum/index.htm

Tribes http://tribes.com/about/research-based-components/?doing-wp-cron=1343243408.0905320644378662109375

YRBS-Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance http://www.cdc.gov/HealthyYouth/yrbs/index.htm

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