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Terrorist Threats/Acts

1 PURPOSE

The Board of School Trustees recognizes the danger that Terrorist threats and acts by students presents to the safety and welfare of Renaissance Academy 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

Terrorist 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.

Terrorist act- shall mean an offense against property or involving danger to another person.

18 Pa C.S.A Sec.2706 18 Pa C.S.A Sec.3301-4101 Sec. 2301-3201

3 AUTHORITY

The Board prohibits any Renaissance Academy student from communicating Terrorist acts directed at any student, employee, Board member, community member or school building.

4 DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

The Board directs the Principal or designee to react promptly and appropriately to information and knowledge concerning a possible or actual Terrorist threat or act.

The Principal, or designee, shall be responsible for developing administrative procedures to implement this policy.

Staff members and students shall be responsible for informing the Principal regarding any information or knowledge relevant to a possible or actual terrorist threat.

5 GUIDELINES

When an administrator has evidence that a student has made a Terrorist threat or committed a Terrorist act, the following guidelines shall be applied:

1. The Principal shall immediately suspend the student.
2. The Principal shall promptly report the incident to the Board.
3. Based on further investigation, the Principal or designee shall report the student to law enforcement officials.
4. The Principal or designee may recommend expulsion or an alternative program for the student to the Board.

If a student is suspended or expelled for making Terrorist threats or committing Terrorist acts, the Board may require, prior to readmission, credible evidence that the student does not pose a risk of harm to others if (s) he is allowed to reenter school said evidence shall be determined by the Board, Principal and parents, and/or in concert with outside agencies involved with the student and his or her family.

If a student is suspended or expelled for making Terrorist threats or committing Terrorist acts, upon return to school the student may be subject to random searches using a Renaissance Academy approved searching device.

In the case of exceptional students, the Renaissance Academy will take all steps necessary to comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Act and the 504 Act

Pol. 226 20 U.S.C Sec.1400 et seq