

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: DATING VIOLENCE

ADOPTED: November 19, 2013

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252. DATING VIOLENCE	
1. Purpose	The purpose of this policy is to maintain a safe, positive learning environment for all students that is free from dating violence. Dating violence is inconsistent with the educational goals of the district and is prohibited at all times.
2. Definitions SC 1553	Dating Partner shall mean a person, regardless of gender, involved in an intimate relationship with another person, primarily characterized by the expectation of affectionate involvement, whether casual, serious or long-term.
SC 1553	Dating Violence shall mean behavior where one person uses threats of, or actually uses, physical, sexual, verbal or emotional abuse to control the person's dating partner.
3. Authority	The Board encourages students who have been subjected to dating violence to promptly report such incidents.
4. Guidelines SC 1553	This policy on dating violence shall be: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Published in the Student Code of Conduct. 2. Published in the Student Handbook. 3. Made available on the district's website, if available. 4. Provided to parents/guardians.
SC 1553	<u>Dating Violence Training</u> The district may provide dating violence training to guidance counselors, nurses, and mental health staff at the high school as deemed necessary. At the discretion of the Superintendent, parents/guardians and other staff may also receive training on dating violence.

<p>SC 1553 71 P.S. Sec. 611.13</p> <p>SC 1553 Pol. 105.1</p> <p>SC 1553 Pol. 105.2</p>	<p><u>Dating Violence Education</u></p> <p>The district may incorporate age-appropriate dating violence education into the annual health curriculum framework for students in grades nine through twelve. The district shall consult with at least one (1) local domestic violence program or rape crisis program when developing the educational program.</p> <p>A parent/guardian of a student under the age of eighteen (18) shall be permitted to examine the instructional materials for the dating violence education program.</p> <p>At the request of the parent/guardian, the student may be excused from all or part of the dating violence education program.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1553</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 12.12</p> <p>Domestic Violence and Rape Victims Services – 71 P.S. Sec. 611.13</p> <p>Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232g</p> <p>Board Policy – 105.1, 105.2, 218, 248</p>
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