

## **CRITICAL INCIDENT RESPONSE**

### **Background**

The District recognizes that critical incidents can occur which could impact the students and staff at a school or District work site.

### **Definition**

Critical incident is an event which has a social, emotional or psychological impact upon a school community to such an extent that the educational mandate cannot be fulfilled. Examples include the death or serious injury of a student, staff or community member.

### **Procedures**

1. Critical Incident Response Teams
  - 1.1. The Director of Inclusive Education shall oversee the development of critical incident response procedures.
  - 1.2. There shall be a critical incident response team at the school/site and District level.
2. Critical Incident Response
  - 2.1. Administrative officers or site supervisors shall inform the Director of Inclusive Education and the Director of Instruction Student Welfare when a critical incident has occurred.
  - 2.2. The *Critical Incident Response Manual* shall be used as a general guideline for procedures to be utilized during a critical incident.

Reference: Sections 17, 20, 22, 65, 85 School Act  
School Regulation 265/89

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