

## CRISIS INTERVENTION

The Terrebonne Parish School Board, in an attempt to provide a safe and healthy learning environment, recognizes that the death of a student or staff member, or a threatened, attempted or completed suicide, can have a traumatic effect on the school community.

To minimize trauma when a crisis occurs and to identify students at risk because of the trauma, each school shall form a crisis intervention team consisting of school counselors, school administrators, school substance abuse coordinator, SAT chairman, and a staff member trained in CPR and First Aid. Other professional personnel permanently assigned to the school may be added to the Crisis Intervention Team at the discretion of the principal. The Crisis Intervention Team's function in time of crisis shall be to:

1. Obtain emergency medical assistance for the individual, if necessary;
2. Notify and/or involve the individual's parent or guardian;
3. Make referrals to appropriate professional or agency for treatment, or contact Protective Services if parent contact will increase risk;
4. Maintain the individual's and family's right to privacy;
5. Identify and assist other individuals who may be at-risk because of the situation;
6. Involve other professionals in the community and/or school system as needed.
7. Notify the Superintendent.

It will be the responsibility of the School Board to provide training for Crisis Intervention Teams.

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