

The Greater Victoria School District is committed to each student's success in learning within a responsive and safe environment.

# **POLICY 5131.0**

## PERSONAL SAFETY AND SECURITY IN THE GREATER VICTORIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

## **RATIONALE:**

The Board of Trustees recognizes that increasing violence in our community is a problem and acknowledges the Board's responsibility to contribute to the personal safety and security of the students and adults working in its schools.

It is expected that all individuals--adults and students--will treat each other with respect and courtesy and conduct themselves in a manner that will promote safety and security for all. Adult behaviour is governed by the School Act, District Policies and Regulations, and contractual agreements. Student behaviour is governed by the School Act and District Policies and Regulations.

#### **POLICY STATEMENT:**

It is the policy of the Greater Victoria School District to foster and maintain a safe working environment for all students, staff and parents through the implementation of effective measures to deal with violence in schools. These measures include the development of school-based student codes of conduct, the establishment of preventive procedures, the provision of appropriate early intervention procedures, and the administration of the School Act and School Board Policies with respect to student conduct as well as the application of any Federal or Provincial legislation pertaining to the safety and security in our schools.

#### REFERENCES

School Act, Section 6(1)(2) School Act, Section 94 (1)(4)(8) School Act, Section 95 (3) School Act, Section 103 (2) (c)(i)(ii)(iii) School Act, Section 103 (2)(d) Duties of Students Provision of Educational Program Conduct Power and Capacity of Board Power and Capacity of Board

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## Regulation 4(1)(b)(c)(f) Regulation 5(7)(g)

Duties of Teachers Power and Duties of Administrative Officers

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