

SURRY SCHOOL BOARD POLICY

Policy JLDBB: Suicide Prevention and Response

The Surry School Board does not operate any schools and is recognized as a sending district. The Surry School Board believes that schools should be safe places for children to learn and develop. Therefore, the Surry School Board recognizes and incorporates by reference the policies and procedures adopted by receiving school boards related to suicide prevention and response.

The Surry School Board supports federal, state and local efforts to provide education on youth suicide awareness and prevention; to establish methods of prevention, intervention, and response to suicide or suicide attempt ("postvention"); and to promote access to suicide awareness, prevention and postvention resources. Surry families and students are directed to the receiving school administration and support staff for specific policies, regulations, and strategies related to suicide prevention.

While overall school safety is the responsibility of the receiving school district, Surry residents may contact the Superintendent of the Surry School District or the Surry School Board to discuss concerns relative to suicide prevention.

Legal Reference: RSA 193-J: Suicide Prevention Education

Other Resources:

The New Hampshire Department of Education's Bureau of Student Wellness, Office of Social and Emotional Wellness (OSEW), provides resources and technical assistance to school districts to work collaboratively with their community to respond to the needs of students through a multi-tiered system of support for behavioral health and wellness. For further information see: www.nhstudentwellness.org

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