

CRISIS RESPONSE

Background

To support student learning and growth in a wholistic manner the Division is determined to provide the best possible resources available. Responsive Services Consultants will provide support, programming and training sessions, presentations and workshops for the PREVENTION, INTERVENTION and POSTVENTION strategies required to address Crisis Response within the Division's schools and communities.

P.A.R.T. Training – Professional Assault Response Training is a PREVENTION pro-active approach that addresses the prevention and management of aggression in the workplace consistent with a positive support framework resulting in positive outcomes for all. De-escalation skills are the primary tool of intervention with physical restraint used as a very last resort in ensuring safety during times of physical aggression. Certification is provided by Saskatchewan Association of Health Organizations. (SAHO)

All staff/teachers within the Division will receive initial training with a 3 year re-certification refresher. Safety Teams are required to practice their Team Response Skills on a 3 month basis. The Safety Team Leader will provide debriefing sessions for the Team with documentation of all incidents of physical violence reported on Form 358-1

A.S.I.S.T. Training – Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training is an INTERVENTION 2 day workshop that teaches skills to competently and confidently intervene with persons at risk for suicide. Certification is provided through Living Works Education Incorporated. All staff/teachers within the Division will receive initial training with a 3 year recertification refresher. All staff who have information about the possibility of suicide or who initiate an actual Intervention are required to report immediately to the Principal. Staff will also be required to use the Crisis Response Report Form 358-1

C.I.R.T. – Critical Incident Response Training for Northern Communities – is a POSTVENTION strategic response plan for provision of the stabilization of individuals affected by a tragic event. Regional and school Teams Certification and Training is provided by Keewatin Yathe Suicide Intervention Planning Team and Northern Lights School Division Responsive Services Consultants.

Upon hearing of a Critical Incident with the understanding of a negative impact upon a student or the student body the Principal must immediately begin the

process of seeking out factual information from appropriate sources (i.e. RCMP, DCRE, Health Board Professionals, etc...). The Principal will immediately inform the Director of Education who will in turn inform Responsive Services Consultants. Responsive Services will then initiate appropriate response proceedings keeping the Director and Principal apprised in a timely manner. Documentation of all critical incidents that require a CIRTeam intervention will be recorded on Form 358-1

Other Training upon request

Grief and Trauma Support Counselling – this is a 4 part post vention strategy which helps and heals the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual manifestations of grief and trauma. Certification is provided through Taking Flight International Corporation – Dr. Jane A. Simington PhD

Peace Education – this PREVENTION program uses the Monthly themes framework that continually supports the progressive development of a positive school climate. Peace Education focuses on enhancing and developing the local school/community cultural values system. Collaborative, strength based and solution focused Peace Education is one of the primary foundational building blocks upon which Safe School are built.

** For Training, refreshers, assistance and in-services for P.A.R.T., A.S.I.S.T , C.I.R.T., Grief Trauma Group Counselling and Peace Education in-services please contact Responsive Services Consultants.