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SUBJECT:	Minimum Standards for Bullying Prevention
CATEGORY:	Student Discipline
NEXT STEPS:	Posted Final Version

Minimum Standards for Bullying Prevention Final Version Complete

Texas Education Code (TEC), §37.0832(c), requires school districts to adopt policies and procedures concerning bullying prevention. TEC, §12.104(b)(3)(Q), also subjects openenrollment charter schools to this requirement. Senate Bill 2050, 87th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2021, added TEC, §37.0832(c-1), which requires the Texas Education Agency (TEA) to adopt minimum standards for the bullying prevention policies and procedures adopted under TEC, §37.0832(c).

Previously proposed minimum standards were made available for public feedback as announced in a prior TAA released on March 31, 2022. TEA conducted two rounds of public feedback in April of 2022 and November of 2022. All submitted feedback was reviewed and considered prior to release of the final minimum standards. The final version of the <u>Minimum</u> <u>Standards for Bullying Prevention</u> was completed on January 31, 2023 and is now available for districts along with several resources to support the implementation of the new standards on the TEA website <u>Student Discipline</u> page.

In the spirit of continuous improvement TEA welcomes feedback and can answer questions via our student discipline email <u>StudentDisciplineSupport@tea.texas.gov</u>. Please use the subject line "Minimum Standards for Bullying Prevention".".