







## HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION AND BULLY (HIB)

PLAINFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
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## NEW JERSEY ANTI- BULLYING LAW

Bullying is any gesture, any written, verbal or physical act, or any electronic communication that is reasonably perceived as being motivated by either an actual or perceived characteristic, such as:

- Race
- Color
- Religion
- Ancestry
- National origin
- •Gender
- Sexual orientation
- Gender identity and expression
- Mental, physical, or sensory disability
- •Any other distinguishing characteristic



## Normal Conflict/Mean Behavior

### **Normal Conflict**

- Equal power/friends
- Happens occasionally
- Accidental/Not Serious
- Not Seeking Power
- Remorse-will take responsibility
- Effort to solve the problem

### **Bullying**

- Imbalance of power
- Repeated negative actions
- Intentional
- Physical harm
- Blames target
- No effort to solve the problem

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## SUMMARY OF HIB REPORTS

Quantity of Reports Received	Quantity of Incidents verified through investigations	Nature of HIB Incidents	Breakdown of HIB Clusters	Location of HIB
44	□ Non-Confirmed – 15	□ Name Calling □ Inappropriate touching □Cyber- Bullying □Threats/ Physical acts □Teacher Investigations	□Elementary Schools/K-8 – 14 □ Middle Schools – 20 □ High Schools –10	□ Playgrounds □ Classroom □ Lunchroom / Cafeteria □ Hallways □ Home Computers

## HIB SCHOOL SELF-ASSESSMENT EIGHT CORE ELEMENTS

 HIB Programs, Approaches or Other Initiatives. HIB Personnel

 Training on the BOE-approved HIB policy.

 School-Level HIB Incident Reporting Procedure.

 Other Staff Instruction and Training Programs.

HIB Investigation

 Curriculum and Instruction on HIB and related Information.

HIB Reporting

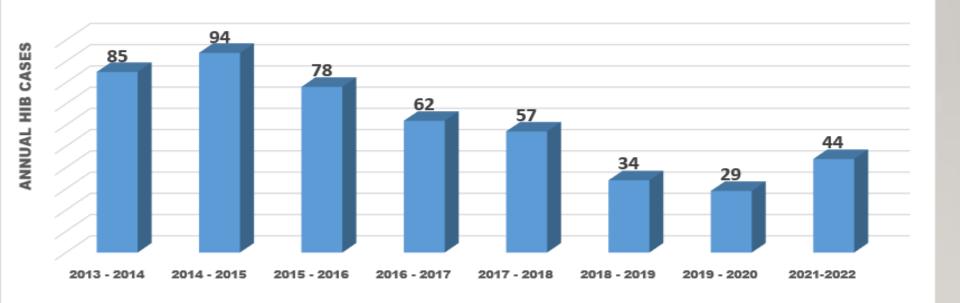
#### **PLAINFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

# School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades Under the Anti – Bullying Bill of Rights District and School Grade Report

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80	Barlow	14	9	14	6	8	6	12	6	75			
100	Cedarbrook	15	9	15	6	9	6	12	6	78			
110	Clinton	14	7	14	6	9	6	12	6	74			
120	Cook	14	9	14	6	9	6	12	6	76			
130	Emerson	15	9	14	6	9	6	12	6	77			
140	Evergreen	15	9	15	6	9	6	12	6	78			
150	Jefferson	15	9	15	6	9	6	12	6	78			
170	Stillman	9	5	13	4	7	6	12	6	62			
180	Washington	12	7	14	6	9	6	12	6	72			
60	Hubbard	11	6	13	5	6	4	12	6	63			
70	Maxson	15	8	13	6	7	6	11	5	71			
52	PAAAS	14	9	15	6	9	6	12	6	77			
50	Plainfield High School	14	9	15	6	9	6	12	5	76			

Formula: 13 schools divided by 957= 73.6

#### Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying



#### New Developments with Anti- Bullying Laws (New Law)

- **1. New Recordkeeping and Reporting:** *HIB 338 Forms- Mandatory Reporting Form and Families/Caregiver Form( this form must be placed on the website)*
- 2. For the first and second acts of HIB committed by a student, a copy of the results of the investigation must be placed in the student's record and the student may be subject to remedial actions, including provision of counseling or behavioral interventions services, or discipline or both determined by the principal in consultation with appropriate school staff; and for the third and each subsequent act, a copy of the results of the investigation must be placed in the student's record, and the principal in consultation with appropriate school staff, must develop an individual student intervention plan, which must be approved by the superintendent. Remedial actions and may require the students, accompanied by a parent or guardian, to complete a class or training program to reduce harassment, intimidation or bullying behavior.

- 3. Establishes civil liability for parents and minors adjudicated delinquent for cyber-harassment or harassment and increase penalty. Under the provision of the cyber-harassment statute, N.J.S.A. 2c:33-41, the court may order a parent/guardian of a minor under the age of 16 to attend classes or training with the minor: failure to comply shall result in a disorderly person's offense and imposition of a fine. The new Law increases the accompanying paying monetary penalty against the parent / guardian up to \$100 fine for the first offense( rather than \$25), and a \$500 fine for each subsequent offense (formerly \$100) Additionally, civil liability may be imposed on a parent/guardian who demonstrates a willful or wanton disregard in the exercise of the supervision and control of a minor adjudicated delinquent of cyber-harassment or harassment. The cyber –harassment provisions took effect immediately. The remainder of the provision of S-1790/A-1662 will take effect July 9, 2022.
- 4. Development of the **New Jersey State of School Climate State Coordinator** duties and responsibilities include:
  - •Identifying research and resources to promote best practices in student SEL and the development of positive and supportive school climates.
  - •Review and report data collected on HIB and identify patterns of HIB in public schools.
  - •Create public information to educate parents, educators and the public.
  - •Collaborate with law enforcement, DOE, Division of Civil Rights, Department of Health to develop training programs discussing the impact of HIB on students and schools.

# DISTRICT & BUILDING INVESTIGATORS

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Plainfield High School

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Stillman School

Sandra Landaverde, Anti-Bullying Specialist

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