Havana CUSD #126 Bullying Policy

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Any aggressive or negative gesture, or written, verbal, or physical act including electronic communications that places another student in the reasonable fear of harm to his/her person or property, or that has the effect of insulting or demeaning any student in such a way as to disrupt or interfere with the school's educational mission or the education of any student. Bullying most often will occur when a student asserts physical or psychological power over, or is cruel to another student perceived to be weaker. Such behavior may include, but is not limited to:

pushing, hitting, threatening, name-calling, or other physical, verbal, written or electronic communication or conduct of a belittling or browbeating nature. Students and/or parents who feel a student is being bullied and/or intimidated are encouraged to notify the District through th Principal/Supervisor or, if the Principal/Supervisor has allegedly committed the act or acts of bullying and/or intimidation, through the Superintendent. Such report shall be made in writing detailing the specifics of the charge. If the student/parent is dissatisfied with the response of the Principal or Supervisor, the matter may be appealed in writing to the Superintendent or the Board of Education.

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