NEW JERSEY CARES ABOUT CYBER-BULLYING

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Model Policy Prohibiting Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying on School Property, at School Sponsored Functions and on School Busses

Legislation (N.J.S.A. 18A:37-13 et seq.) enacted on September 6, 2002 requires each school district to adopt, by September 1, 2003, a policy prohibiting harassment, intimidation and bullying on school property, at school-sponsored functions and on school busses. To assist each school district in developing these policies, the legislation also requires the Commissioner of Education to develop and issue a model policy applicable to grades kindergarten through 12, by December 1, 2002.

Under N.J.S.A. 18A:37-15, each school district is granted local control over the contents of the policy and ancillary procedures, but, at a minimum, the ten components listed in the authorizing statute must be included in a school district’s policy prohibiting harassment, intimidation and bullying. Some of the provisions of the authorizing statute call for the school district to stipulate the consequences and appropriate remedial actions for the following instances: 1) persons violating the policy; 2) persons who engage in reprisal or retaliation against someone who reports a violation of the policy; and 3) persons who falsely report allegations of harassment, intimidation or bullying as a means of retaliation or as a means of harassment, intimidation or bullying. Another provision of the statute requires the school district’s policy to articulate the range of different measures a school will take to respond to violations of the policy.

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What is Cyber-bullying?

1. Why is cyber-bullying important to educators and law enforcement personnel?

- Cyberbullying is important because it is the newest form of intimidation and harassment among students that is becoming increasingly evident across the nation.
- Regarded as the newest form of bullying, Cyber-Bullying is defined as when a student uses information and communication technologies such as email, cell phone and pager text messaging, instant messaging, defamatory personal Web sites and defamatory online personal polling Web sites to harass, humiliate, intimidate and/or threaten other students on the Internet.
- Across the United States, teenagers are increasingly using the Internet to deliver derogatory photographs and cruel and harmful messages, which can include racial, religious, cultural and sexual slurs.
- The striking difference between old-fashioned bullying and Cyber-Bullying is that Cyber-Bullying can occur both on and off school grounds, making the victims extremely vulnerable and susceptible to this new type of bullying at virtually all times of the day.
- Furthermore, another difference is that, with Cyber-Bullying, the bully does not see the immediate impact that his or her bullying has on the victim. Bullies do not see the harm they have caused their victims, which make them less capable of actually feeling remorseful or empathetic to the victim for their actions.
- It is extremely important that both educators and law enforcement personnel are aware of the dangerous threat that Cyber-Bullying poses to the youth of America.
- Most Cyber-Bullying does in fact occur off school grounds, which makes educators and the schools limited in what they can do to prevent it.
- Adults are very often unaware that their children may be victims of Cyber-Bullying because it occurs away from their watchful eyes. Research shows that 50% of kids are online most of the time without adult supervision.
- As Cyber-Bullying increases, law enforcement officers are creating networks that specialize in cybercrime investigation and training. Moreover, there are legal issues, such as free speech and district negligence, that need to be addressed in regards to Cyber-Bullying. Criminal laws and civil law remedies also may apply to Cyber-Bullying situations.
2. What is the Division of Criminal Justice doing about the problem?

- In New Jersey, there is an amendment to the bullying legislation that passed two years ago which would include provisions and terms to cover Cyber-Bullying under the same law. This amendment is currently under review in the New Jersey State Senate.
- The Office of Bias Crime and Community Relations is sponsoring this Cyber-Bullying conference to inform and educate law enforcement personnel and educators on the dangers of Cyber-Bullying. This statewide conference is the first of its kind in the United States. Due to the high responses received in relation to registration for the spring conference, this conference was planned.
- The Office of Bias Crime and Community Relations also has a toll-free hotline service to address situations of bullying. Recently, more and more calls about situations involving Cyber-Bullying have been coming in to this hotline.

3. Call to Action - What everyone must do

- **Educators:** Supervision and even limiting use of the internet while at school is a key in combatting Cyber-Bullying. Discouraging the use of instant messenger and chat room programs while at school is a part of this supervision. Disallowing the use of cell phones as a general rule prevents the use of text messaging as a form of Cyber-Bullying. Resources for educators on Cyber-Bullying include an Educators Guide to Cyberbullying, found on cyberbully.org, and books that provide educators with information and resources on the subject.
- **Law Enforcement:** One of the main resources for law enforcement at this point in time is the network of law enforcement officers known as Cyber Law Enforcement. These officers specialize in cybercrime investigation and training. The issues they investigate include child pornography, cyberstalking, cyberscams and fraud online. Their website is located at www.cyberlawenforcement.org.
- **Adults:** Supervision and even limiting use of the internet while at home is also an essential key in combatting Cyber-Bullying. Adults need to realize the threat that Cyber-Bullying poses to their children and must begin supervising what they do, who they talk to and what they see on the internet. Supervising the use of cell phones is also a safe bet.
- **Victims:** Most victims of Cyber-Bullying are so impacted by the threats and harassment that they keep quiet and never report it to their parents, teachers or friends. It is important that victims realize that we are collectively here to fight this new form of bullying so as to protect the welfare of our children for the future. With that, if at any time any victim experiences any form of bullying or Cyber-Bullying, you must know that it is OK to report it.
Cyber-Bullying Web sites

iSAFE
www.isafe.org

Cyber Bullying
www.kidscape.org.uk/childrenteens/cyberbullying.shtml

Cyber Bullying
www.cyberbullying.ca/info.html

What is Cyber Bullying?
www.netalert.net.au/01569-What-is-Cyber-Bullying.asp

MindOH! Foundation
www.mindohfoundation.org/bullying.htm

Cyberbullying: Cyberbullying On The Internet
www.bullyonline.org

Challenging Cyber Bullying
www.bewebaware.ca/english/CyberBullying.aspx

Internet Super Hero - Cyberbullying, Flaming, Cyberstalking
http://internetsuperheroes.org/cyberbullying

Cyber Snitch Headquarters (Law Enforcement)
www.cybersnitch.net

Bullying Online
www.besafeonline.org

The Positive Learning Climates KnowledgeBase
www.helpforschools.com

Dealing With Online Bullies

Mobilizing Educators, Parents, Students, and Others to Combat Online bullying
www.cyberbully.org

National Center For Missing & Exploited Children
www.missing.kids.com

NetSmartz
www.netsmartz.org
**New Jersey Bias Crime Officers Association (NJBCOA) Members**

If you require legal advise on whether a cyber-bullying incident should be referred for criminal prosecution please contact the Juvenile Section Chief in your respective county:

**Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office**  
609-909-7800  
A.P. James McClain  
Lt. Timothy Alexander

**Bergen County Prosecutor's Office**  
201-646-2300  
A.P. Lisa Perez-Friscia  
Det. Sylvia Presto

**Burlington County Prosecutor's Office**  
609-265-5035  
A.P. John Brennan  
Sgt. Nicole Eugene

**Camden County Prosecutor's Office**  
856-225-8400  
A.P. Robert Luther  
Inv. George Saunders

**Cape May County Prosecutor's Office**  
609-465-1135  
A.P. Barbara Bakley-Marino  
Det. David Hogan

**Cumberland County Prosecutor's Office**  
856-453-0486  
Det. Jasmin Roman

**Essex County Prosecutor's Office**  
973-621-4700  
A.P. Prosper Bellizia  
Inv. Robert Harris  
Inv. Julie Graves

**Gloucester County Prosecutor's Office**  
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A.P. Jacqueline Caban  
A.P. Audrey Curwin  
Det. Langdon Sills

**Hudson County Prosecutor's Office**  
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A.P. Al Iglesias  
Det. Lois Aria

**Hunterdon County Prosecutor's Office**  
908-788-1129  
A.P. Harvey Lester  
Det. Joyce Hanshaw

**Mercer County Prosecutor's Office**  
609-989-6350  
A.P. Al Garcia  
Det. Jorge Rosario

**Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office**  
732-745-3300  
A.P. Julie Davidson  
Sgt. John Rodriguez

**Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office**  
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A.P. Greg Schweers  
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Sussex County
973-383-1570
Jerome Neidhardt

Union County
908-527-4500
Doreen Yanik

Warren County
908-475-6287
Tara Kirkendall
This partial list of ISP’s is taken from [www.infobin.com](http://www.infobin.com). It contains a variety of ISPs and similar information services, specifically, contacts at the legal departments for service of subpoena, court orders, and search warrants. For a complete listing, please visit the website or its parent company site [www.jatero.com](http://www.jatero.com).

### America Online
- Contact: N/A
- Online Service America Online
- Online Service Address: 22000 AOL Way, Dulles, Virginia 20166
  - Voice Number: 703-265-1933
  - Fax Number: 703-265-2305
- Emergencies: Business Hours 703-265-1933
- Emergencies: After Hours 703-265-COPS (2677)
- In San Francisco:
  - Francis Soto
  - 466 Ellis Street, Mountain View, CA 94043
  - Voice Number: 650-937-4994
  - Fax Number: 650-428-4366 (Fax)

### AT&T Broadband (formerly Mediaone)
- Contact: Michael Gosline, Legal Demands Center Manager
- Online Service AT&T Broadband
- Online Service Address: 183 Inverness Dr. West, Suite 100-N, Englewood
  - Voice Number: 720-267-2690
  - Cell Number: 720-480-2777
  - Fax Number: 720-267-2794
  - E-mail: mgosline@broadband.att.com

### AT&T Worldnet
- Contact: Edgar Stephenson
  - Online Service AT&T Worldnet, Advantis
- Online Service Address: 500 Mamaroneck Ave, Harrison, NY 10528
  - Advantis-B – Net Name
- Online Service Address: 1800 Perimeter Park Dr., Suite 100, Morrisville, NC 27560
  - Voice Number: 919-319-8187
  - Fax Number: 919-319-8154
  - E-mail: estephenson@att.com
- Fax a copy of the process ([subpoena, warrant, summons, whatever]) to Edgar at the same time it is sent to one of the agents so that the request is processed as quickly as possible. Also, anyone can call Edgar to get the name, address, and phone numbers for an agent in each state.

### Compuserve Interactive Services, Inc.
- Contact: Dan Piskur, Security Manager & Legal Liaison
- Online Service CompuServe Interactive Services, Inc.
- Online Service Address: 5000 Arlington Centre Blvd., Columbus, OH 43220
  - Voice Number: 614-538-4257
  - Fax Number: 614-457-9665
  - E-Mail: mgosline@broadband.att.com
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### EarthLink / Mindspring
- Contact: Subpoena Compliance Division, Esteban Martorell
  - Online Service Earthlink Network Inc.
  - Online Service Address: Earthlink Legal Department, 1375 Peachtree Street, NE, Level A, Atlanta, GA 30309
  - Voice Number: 404-748-6191
  - Subpoenas and search warrants are only accepted via US Certified Mail, UPS, FEDEX, and Airbourne Express

### Juno Online Services
- Contact: Andrew Mercer, Custodian of Records
  - Online Service Juno Online Services, Juno.com
  - Online Service Address: 75 9th Ave, 4th Fl, New York, NY 1001
  - Voice Number: 212-596-9009,
  - Andrew Mercer 212-597-9795
  - Fax Number: 212-597-9125
MSN
The following should be used for all MSN Properties including WebTV, Chat etc.
Contact: MSN Custodian of Records
Online Service MSN, Microsoft Corporation
Online Service Address 1 Microsoft Way,
Redmond, Washington, 98052-6399
   Voice Number 425-722-1299
   Fax Number 425-727-3490
Responses will be sent via facsimile, unless otherwise requested
MSN Hotmail and .NET Passport: Contact
Name MSN Custodian Of Records
Online Service Address 1065 La Avenida,
Building 4, Mountain View, CA 94043
   Voice Number 425-722-1299
   Fax Number 650-693-7061
Responses will be sent via facsimile unless otherwise requested.

NETSCAPE
Contact: Legal Department, Francis Soto
Online Service Netscape
Online Service Address 360 West Caribbean Dr.,
Sunnyvale, CA 94089
   Voice Number 650-937-5898
   650-937-5555 (Emergency contact number)
   Fax Number 650-937-4366

NETZERO
Contact: Anthony DeToro, Corporate Counsel
Online Service NetZero
Online Service Address 2555 Townsgate
Road, Westlake Village, CA 91361-2650
   Voice Number 805-418-2316
   Fax Number 805-418-2012
   E-Mail Contact anthonyd@corp.netzero.net

VERIZON ON-LINE (GTE.net LLC legacy)
Contact: Scott Lebredo,
Legal Compliance and External Affairs
Online Service Verizon On-Line,
BellAtlantic.net, GTE.net
(GTE.net LLC Legacy)
Online Service Address 4055 Corporate
Drive, Grapevine, TX 76051
   Voice Number 214-513-6807
   Fax Number 214-513-6795
   1-800-483-2280 – Non Business hours and emergency only
   Email Investigations@ins.gte.com
   (Non-Business hours and Emergencies
   Contact Operation Support Center
   @ 800-483-2280)

VERIZON WIRELESS (Formally Airtouch)
Contact: N/A
Online Service Verizon Wireless
Online Service Address CellCo Partnership
d/b/a/ Verizon Wireless,
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   Voice Number 908-429-3885
   Fax Number (Subpoena) 908-203-5876/5878
   Fax Number (Court Order) 908-203-5875/5877

WEBTV (A Division of Microsoft)
Contact Name James Whitright
Online Service MSN TV Service
Online Service Address
Voice Number 650-705-6603
Fax Number 650-727-3490
E-Mail Contact

YAHOO, INC
Contact: Yahoo! Custodian of Records
Online Service Yahoo!
Online Service Address
701 First Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94089
   Contact Number 408-349-3300
   Fax Number 408-349-7941
Yahoo charges an hourly rate for each subpoena compliance.