

Branchburg Township School District

Violence and Vandalism End-Year Report

January 2017 - June 2017

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Superintendent

Report Categories

- Violence
 - Assault, Fight, Robbery, H.I.B., Extortion, Sexual Offenses, Criminal Threat
- Vandalism
 - Arson, Bomb Threat, Burglary, Damage to Property, Fire Alarm, Fireworks Offense, Theft (\$10 or more), and Trespassing
- Weapons
 - Explosive Device, Possess Firearm, and Possess other Weapon, Sale/Distribution
- Substance Abuse
 - Use, Possession, and Sale/Distribution

Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (HIB)

Definition – A verbal, physical, written or electronic act that is motivated by race, religion, sexual orientation, or other distinguishing characteristics. The person knows that it is going to create physical or emotional harm to the target.

- The essential difference between **HIB** and **conflict** is that conflict is a “fair fight” (mutual engagement, no imbalance of power).
- A HIB situation exists when a student who wants to be left alone is targeted and/or pursued.

Incidents by Reporting Category

Category	13-14	14-15	15-16	9/2016 Through 12/2016	1/2017 Through 6/2017
Violence (Confirmed HIB)	12	3	0	1*	5**
Vandalism	0	0	0	0	1
Weapons	0	0	0	0	0
Substance Abuse	0	0	0	0	0

**1 Reported HIB Incident. 1 met the criteria and guidelines of HIB.*

**13 Reported HIB Incidents. 5 met the criteria and guidelines of HIB*

HIB Incidents by School

Category	13-14	14-15	15-16	9/2016 Through 12/2016	1/2017 Through 6/2017
Whiton	10	12	3	0	0
Stony Brook	1	0	0	0	0
BCMS	1	0	0	1	5
TOTAL	0	0	0	1	5

Actions Taken by Reporting Category

Category	13-14	14-15	15-16	9/2016 Through 12/2016	1/2017 Through 6/2017
Expulsion or Alternative Program	0	0	0	0	0
In-School Suspension	0	0	0	1	2
Out-of-School Suspension	1	0	0	0	1
Detention	0	0	0	0	1
Other					1

Actions may be reported in more than one category

2016-2017 HIB Reporting Category

Category	
Race	1
Religion	0
Ancestry/Origin	1
Gender/Sexual Orientation	0
Gender Identity and Expression	0
Mental/Physical or Sensory Disability	2
Other Distinguishing Characteristic	1

Staff Development and Student Programs

- Annual Professional Development & Training for all staff members
- The District Safety Committee and Wellness Committee meet on a regular basis to discuss safety and school climate.
- All students receive specific instruction in conflict management. All elementary classrooms use a morning meeting format to develop a sense of community.
- All schools observe and hold events for a “Week of Respect.”
- District HIB Coordinator (Tina Neely) has oversight for all of the schools and maintains responsibility for insuring compliance with all guidelines.

School HIB Grades “Core Elements”

- 1. HIB Programs, Approaches or Other Initiatives**
- 2. Training on the BOE-approved HIB Policy and Procedures**
- 3. Other Staff Instruction and Training Programs**
- 4. Curriculum/Instruction on HIB and Related Information/Skills**

School HIB Grades

(70 possible points)

Please note: *The school HIB grade is not aligned to the number of HIB incidents reported. It is aligned to the level of compliance with Statute and Regulation.*

	2015-2016	2016-2017
Whiton Elementary	66	70
Stony Brook	68	68
BCMS	74	73



The Mission of the Branchburg Township School District and Community is to inspire our children to **learn, think, grow and excel in life.**