



FLETCHER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Mental Health Crisis Protocol

Purpose: House Bill 4106 requires each public school district to maintain a protocol for responding to students in mental health crisis with the goal of preventing suicide, self-harm, and harm to others.

Definition: A mental health crisis is defined as any situation in which a person’s behavior puts them at risk of hurting themselves or others.

Identifying a Mental Health Crisis: School personnel receive yearly training to help identify students in crisis or with the potential to be in crisis through professional development resources.

Response in a Mental Health Crisis:

1. The person who has identified a student experiencing a mental health crisis will immediately report the situation to their building principal and work toward moving the student to a private setting (i.e., counselor’s office) to safeguard privacy. Non-judgmental, calm support will be available there while always providing supervision.
2. In accordance with 70 O.S. 24-159, Fletcher Public Schools will collaborate with Jim Taliaferro Community Mental Health Center in Lawton, Oklahoma to provide mental health crisis responses.
3. The building counselor or building principal will notify the student’s parent/guardian.
4. All district protocols must comply with the privacy requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996.
5. FPS will follow up with students and family post-crisis and continue to monitor student.

Local Providers:

- Jim Taliaferro Community Mental Health Center Lawton, OK 580-248-5780

Crisis Phone Lines:

- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline- 988
- Spanish National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-866-628-9454

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