

# POLICY

## BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

**Related Entries: Policy 800.04**

**Responsible Office: DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES**

### **CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATION: REPORTING OF AT-RISK STUDENT BEHAVIOR**

#### **A. PURPOSE**

To establish policy governing the reporting of confidential communications and at-risk behaviors, as defined in this policy, by students.

#### **B. ISSUE**

The Board of Education of Anne Arundel County is responsible for ensuring the safety and security of its students. This policy establishes the responsibility of staff regarding this charge.

#### **C. POSITION**

All employees and volunteers of the Anne Arundel County Public Schools will follow federal and state law and regulations, as well as local policy and regulations, regarding confidential communications with students that involve any of the following:

1. Suicidal thoughts and/or gestures;
2. Self-injurious behaviors;
3. Runaway;
4. Threats and/or actions;
5. Requests for drug and alcohol counseling;
6. Requests for mental health support; or
7. Requests for support regarding pregnancy.

#### **D. IMPLEMENTATION**

The Superintendent will establish regulations to implement this policy that will include reporting procedures.

*Policy History: Adopted 5/16/07*

*Note previous history: Replaces Policy 800.04, adopted 2/4/81; Revised 11/7/9 and, 9/7/94*