

# Lowell School District 71

Code: **JHH**  
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## **Student Welfare - Suicide**

The Board recognizes that childhood/adolescent suicide and suicidal tendencies are continuing problems within elementary and secondary schools of the nation; therefore the Board establishes this policy to assist in suicide prevention.

The district shall provide appropriate in-service programs for staff as to proper procedure to follow should any staff person hear students threatening to commit suicide.

The district shall provide crisis intervention for students who exhibit tendencies towards potential suicide through the Lowell Students Assistance Team.

Decisions regarding individual or a group in crisis will only be made through a team approach. No individual staff member will make crisis decisions in isolation.

The Lowell Tragedy Response Team will be involved in dealing with loss and providing a support base for all students and district employees who have experienced personal loss to family, as a witness to tragedy or tragedy to persons closely associated with the student or employee.

END OF POLICY

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### **Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 332.107](#)

Kelson v. Springfield, 767 F.2d 651 (9th Cir. 1985).