



A Model School Policy on Suicide Prevention: Model Language, Commentary and Resources

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This document was developed by ensuring that local policies are in line with the latest research in the field of suicide prevention and identifying best practices for a national framework. The model is comprehensive, with modular language that may be adapted to draft policies based on the unique needs of individual districts. The language and concepts in this policy are applicable for levels K-12 as current data has shown an increased (albeit still low) suicide rate for younger children. The model policy promotes a wellness culture that encompasses multiple dimensions, including social and mental health. It encourages the participation of families and communities and is intended to be paired with other initiatives that support the emotional and behavioral well-being of youth.

Links within this resource

[1] <https://afsp.org/our-work/education/model-school-policy-suicide-prevention/>

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