

Bullying/Harassment

Harassment, intimidation, or bullying toward a student, whether by other students, staff, or third parties is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3313.666, Reading Community City Schools Board of Education has developed an [Anti-bullying Policy](#) (5517.01). This policy applies to all activities in the District, including activities on school property, while enroute to or from school, and those occurring off school property if the student or employee is at any school-sponsored, school-approved or school-related activity or function, such as field trips or athletic events where students are under the school's control, in a school vehicle, or where an employee is engaged in school business.

Harassment, intimidation, or bullying includes any intentional written, verbal, electronic (i.e., internet, e-mail, cellular telephone, or wireless hand-held device), graphic, or physical act that a student or group of students exhibits toward another particular student(s) and the behavior both causes mental or physical harm to the other student(s) and is sufficiently severe, persistent, or pervasive that it creates an intimidating, threatening, or abusive educational environment for the other student(s).

The link below takes you to an online reporting system (or call 1-866-listen2me). The system is for students and parents to report concerns that may affect the peace of mind of students or jeopardize the safety of people or school facilities.

Concerns may include, but are not limited to, bullying, abuse, bomb threats, cyber crimes, discrimination, drugs, health concerns, suspicious behavior, vandalism, fighting, & weapons. HelpLine information helps us maintain school environments that are safe and conducive for learning.

[Stay Safe, Speak Up Link](#)