

SAFE SCHOOLS DATA

The safety of all students within Miami-Dade County Public Schools is a primary concern in our district and a shared responsibility between students, parents, staff and the community. Our global focus is on both the prevention and intervention of crisis situations. To that end, we have established a District Crisis Team that is available to provide daily consultation for school site staff who are navigating crisis situations such as students with suicidal/homicidal ideations, threats, gestures, and attempts; as well as self-injurious behaviors and other serious self-defeating behaviors. The Crisis Team is also asked with the coordination of school site crisis responses for unfortunate incidents such as the death of a student or staff member. Grief counseling and specialized support services are provided for students, families, and staff. The following data represents the work of the District Crisis Team from 2007-2011:

Risk Behaviors	Number of Incidents 2010-2011	Number of Incidents 2009-2010	Number of Incidents 2008-2009	Number of Incidents 2007-2008
Completed Student Suicides	4	2	4	0
Student Suicide Attempts	39	38	35	21
Student Suicidal Gestures	28	36	39	30
Student Suicidal Threats	202	237	279	133
Student Suicidal Ideations	346	357	288	431
Student Self-Injury	149	182	133	118
Student Homicidal Threats	118	86	4	23
Student Homicidal ideations	42	82	106	63

Student Deaths

	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008
Accidental	24	10	15	9
Homicide	7	10	8	1
Illness	15	18	15	17
Suicide	4	2	4	0

Miami –Dade County Public Schools recognized that the prevention and early intervention of bullying/harassment is an integral part of a school safety plan; ensuring the physical and emotional well-being of every student. To that end, M-DCPS has established a District Policy Against Bullying and Harassment that applies to all students, staff, parents, and volunteers. Inclusive of this policy is a comprehensive curriculum that is delivered in all grades K-12. The District website offers information and support for students, parents and staff. <http://mhcms.dadeschools.net/bullying.asp>.

The anonymous reporting of bullying/harassment or any other school safety concerns is available and encouraged using our Be Safe Anonymous Reporting System, which was initiated in the 2009-10 school year. Anonymous reports can be made by phone, on the District website and by means of texting. The prompt investigation of all reports allows for safety to continue to be a top priority. All bullying/harassment investigations are recorded in our district database with the investigation outcomes of either *founded* or *unfounded*.

Bullying/Harassment Reports: School Year 09-10:

138 HARASS UNFND NONSEXUAL ISOLATE
366 HARASS FNDED NONSEXUAL ISOLATE
251 BULLYING (UNFND-REPEAT HARASS)
525 BULLYING (FNDED-REPEAT HARASS)
40 HARASSMENT (UNFND CIVIL RIGHTS)
65 HARASSMENT (FNDED CIVIL RIGHTS)
73 SEXUAL HARASSMENT (UNFND)
177 SEXUAL HARASSMENT (FNDED)

Bullying/Harassment Reports: School Year 10-11:

151 HARASS UNFND NONSEXUAL ISOLATE
325 HARASS FNDED NONSEXUAL
280 BULLYING (UNFND-REPEAT HARASS)
639 BULLYING (FNDED-REPEAT HARASS)
53 HARASSMENT (UNFND CIVIL RIGHTS)
86 HARASSMENT (FNDED CIVIL RIGHTS)
79 SEXUAL HARASSMENT (UNFND)
187 SEXUAL HARASSMENT (FNDED)