

**EASTERN
WESTMORELAND
CAREER &
TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

SECTION: OPERATIONS

TITLE: SUICIDE AWARENESS,
PREVENTION AND RESPONSE

ADOPTED: AUGUST 19, 2015

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<p>1. Purpose SC 1526 Pol. 103.1, 248, 249, 806</p> <p>2. Authority Title 22 Sec. 12.12 Pol. 207, 216, 236</p> <p>3. Guidelines</p> <p>SC 1526</p> <p>SC 1526 Pol. 333</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">819. SUICIDE AWARENESS, PREVENTION AND RESPONSE</p> <p>The Joint Operating Committee is committed to protecting the health, safety and welfare of its students and school community. This policy supports federal, state and local efforts to provide education on youth suicide awareness and prevention; establish methods of prevention, intervention, and response to suicide or suicide attempt; and to promote access to suicide awareness and prevention resources.</p> <p>In compliance with state law and regulations, and in support of the EWCTC’s suicide prevention measures, information received in confidence from a student may be revealed to the student’s parents/guardians, the principal or other appropriate authority when the health, welfare or safety of the student or any other person is deemed to be at risk.</p> <p>EWCTC shall utilize a multifaceted approach to suicide prevention which integrates school and community-based supports.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SUICIDE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION</p> <p><u>Protocols for Administration of Employee Education</u></p> <p>All of EWCTC’s employees, including but not limited to secretaries, coaches, bus drivers and custodians, shall receive information regarding risk factors, warning signs, response procedures, referrals, and resources regarding youth suicide prevention.</p> <p>As part of EWCTC’s professional development plan, professional educators in school buildings serving students in grades six (6) through twelve (12) shall participate in four (4) hours of youth suicide awareness and prevention training every five (5) years.</p> <p>Additional professional development in risk assessment and crisis intervention shall be provided to guidance counselors, EWCTC mental health professionals and school nurses.</p>
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	<p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1526</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 12.12</p> <p>Joint Operating Committee Policy – 103.1, 113, 113.2, 113.3, 114, 117, 146, 204, 207, 216, 236, 248, 249, 333, 805, 806</p>
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