



## **5300.4: DATING VIOLENCE**

**I. Dating Violence Prohibited.** The District provides physically safe and emotionally secure environments for all students. Positive behaviors are encouraged in the educational program and are required of all students. Inappropriate behaviors, including but not limited to, dating violence, will not be tolerated and must be avoided by all students.

**II. Dating Violence Training.** Strategies and practices will be implemented to reinforce positive behaviors and to discourage and protect others from inappropriate behaviors. Dating violence training, as defined by Neb. Rev. Stat. 79-2,141(4,) shall be provided to staff deemed appropriate by the administration. Training shall include, but not be limited to, basic awareness of dating violence, warning signs of dating violence, and the District's dating violence policy.

**III. Dating Violence Information.** The District shall inform the students' parents or legal guardians of the District's dating violence policy on an annual basis via the Student Handbook. If requested, the District shall also provide the parents or legal guardians a copy of the District's dating violence policy and other relevant information.

### **IV. Definitions**

**A. Dating Violence** shall mean a pattern of behavior where one person uses threats of, or actually uses, physical, sexual, verbal, or emotional abuse, to control his or her dating partner.

**B. Dating Partner** shall mean any person, regardless of gender, involved in an intimate relationship with another person primarily characterized by the expectation of affectionate involvement whether casual, serious, or long term.

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**May 17, 2010**

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**Related Policies and Rules**

[5300: Student Conduct](#)

[5300.1: Bus Conduct](#)

[5300.2: Conduct at School](#)

[5300.3: Bullying](#)

**Legal Reference**

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 79-2,141