

Date: September 2018

*To:* District Administrators

From: Student Services/Prevention and Wellness Team

Subject: Mandatory Reporting of Threats of School Violence Training

In March 2018, Act 143 was passed. One provision of Act 143 relates to the Mandatory Reporting of Threats of School Violence. Act 143 added language to Wis. Stat. § 118.07(5) to include the requirement that all school employees receive training from the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) in the laws under Wis. Stat. § 175.32 governing the reporting of a threat of violence once within the first six months of employment and every 5 years thereafter. A new module specific to this requirement can be found on the DPI website at <a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/required-trainings">https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/required-trainings</a>.

Additionally, the *Mandated Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect Module for All School Employees*, as well as the *Supplemental Informational Module*, have been updated as of August 2018. It is required for every school employee to receive training using DPI materials once within the first six months of employment and every five years thereafter. The modules have been updated to include additional guidance on the mandated reporting of sex trafficking, guidance on the reporting of sexually active adolescents, staff responsibility for preventing abuse at school, and handling classroom disclosures. The updated modules and power points are also linked on the DPI website at <a href="https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/required-trainings">https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/required-trainings</a>.

If you have any questions, please contact the DPI Student Services / Prevention and Wellness team at dpisspw@dpi.wi.gov or (608) 266-8960.