



NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

**TO:** Roger Breed, Ed.D.  
Commissioner of Education

**FROM:** MARGARET WORTH, GENERAL COUNSEL

**SUBJECT:** POLICY REVIEW INFORMATION ITEM

**Proposed Board Action:**

STATE BOARD POLICY, G20, "Model Policy to Prevent Dating Violence."

**Background Information:**

Pursuant to the four-year review schedule implemented by the State Board's Policy Committee, State Board Policy G20 is submitted for review.  
Pursuant to Bylaws B8 and B5, this policy may be revised, rescinded or referred to the State Board Policy Committee for review. If the Committee, the Board President or any Board member believes that action is necessary in connection with this Policy, an appropriate motion may be placed on the Agenda for a future Board meeting.  
G20 will expire 02/01/2014.

**Estimated Cost:**

N/A

**Supporting Documentation Included:**

State Board Policy Statement G20, "Model Policy to Prevent Dating Violence."

**For Additional Information on this item:**

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Nebraska State Board of Education Model Policy to Prevent Dating Violence

(School District Name), provides physically safe and emotionally secure environments for all students and staff. Positive behaviors are encouraged in the educational program and are required of all students and staff. Inappropriate behaviors, including but not limited to, dating violence, will not be tolerated and must be avoided by all students and staff.

Pursuant to Section 79-2,140, the Legislature has defined (a) “dating violence” to 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; and (b) “dating partner” to 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.

Strategies and practices are implemented to reinforce positive behaviors and to discourage and protect others from inappropriate behaviors. Dating violence training, as defined by Section 79-2,141(4), shall be provided to staff deemed appropriate by the administration. The administration will be responsible for reviewing the school district’s Student Code of Conduct to insure that this policy is reflected therein.

Board Action History

- Policy model adopted 2/1/2010

Cross-References

- 92 NAC 10
- 79-2,140
- 79-141(4)