

Fair Notice Letter

June 2023

Parents/Guardians Please be Advised,

Elk Island Catholic Separate School Division (EICS) is committed to providing a safe and caring environment for all students, staff, and community members. As such, we have worked together with police and community partners to adopt a Violence Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) Protocol for the Elk Island region. EICS is a partner of both the Strathcona County and Battle River County Violence Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) protocols.

The VTRA process provides a systematic and collaborative approach to investigate threatening behaviour, mitigate risk, and put supportive interventions in place. VTRA promotes a common language and understanding of threat assessment, makes use of the expertise of various community partners, and encourages a multidisciplinary approach to violence prevention. Schools, agencies, community partners, and other professionals relevant to the situation will respond to threatening behaviour in accordance with the VTRA process. Personal information shared throughout the VTRA process will respect and balance each individual's right to privacy with the need to ensure the safety of all. Parents and guardians will be notified as early as possible in the process.

Please be advised that all threats of violence (direct and indirect) will be taken seriously and investigated according to the VTRA protocol. Examples include, but are not limited to the following:

- Serious violence or violence with the intent to harm or kill another person;
- Verbal or written threats to seriously harm others or cause significant property damage;
- Internet, text or social media threats to seriously harm others;
- Possession of weapons including replicas;
- Bomb threats or making or detonating explosive devices;
- Fire setting;
- Sexual intimidation or assault;
- Extreme cases of bullying and harassment;
- Gang-related intimidation and violence;
- Rehearsal behaviours or evidence of planning; and
- Hate incidents motivated by factors such as race, culture, religion, or sexual diversity.

The Elk Island and Battle River VTRA protocols are available on the EICS website.

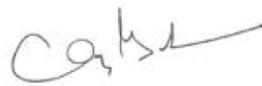
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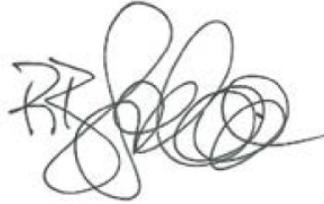
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