



Indiana Department of Education

Dr. Katie Jenner, Secretary of Education

IDOE Bullying Discrepancy Report Form

Indiana Code 20-34-6-1 requires each school to submit the number of bullying incidents involving a student of the corporation by category (verbal, physical, social/relational, written/electronic, combination). These numbers are subsequently posted on the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) [website](#).

Bullying as defined by Indiana Code 20-33-8-0.2 means overt, unwanted, repeated acts or gestures including verbal or written communications or images transmitted in any manner (including digitally or electronically), physical acts committed, aggression, or any other behaviors, that are committed by a student or group of students against another student with the intent to harass, ridicule, humiliate, intimidate, or harm the targeted student and create for the targeted student an objectively hostile school environment that:

- (1) places the targeted student in reasonable fear of harm to the targeted student's person or property;
- (2) has a substantially detrimental effect on the targeted student's physical or mental health;
- (3) has the effect of substantially interfering with the targeted student's academic performance; or
- (4) has the effect of substantially interfering with the targeted student's ability to participate in or benefit from the services, activities, and privileges provided by the school.

Per Indiana Code 20-34-6-2, IDOE may conduct an audit of a school corporation to ensure accurate reporting of bullying incidents. All discrepancies in reporting will also be posted on the IDOE website.

Any suspected errors in bullying reporting must be submitted to IDOE using the attached form. Incomplete forms will not be accepted. This form must be submitted directly to Stephen Balko via email at sbalko@doe.in.gov.



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Name of constituent submitting report: _____

Phone#: _____

Email address: _____

Name of school with alleged bullying discrepancy: _____

School corporation: _____

Name of student bullied: _____

Name of perpetrator: _____

Description of incidents (*bullying, as defined by Indiana Code, must be “repeated acts”);
attach separate document if needed:

Date of each incident: _____

School administrators who handled the incidents: _____

Actions taken by the school: _____

Submit this form to Stephen Balko at sbalko@doe.in.gov.