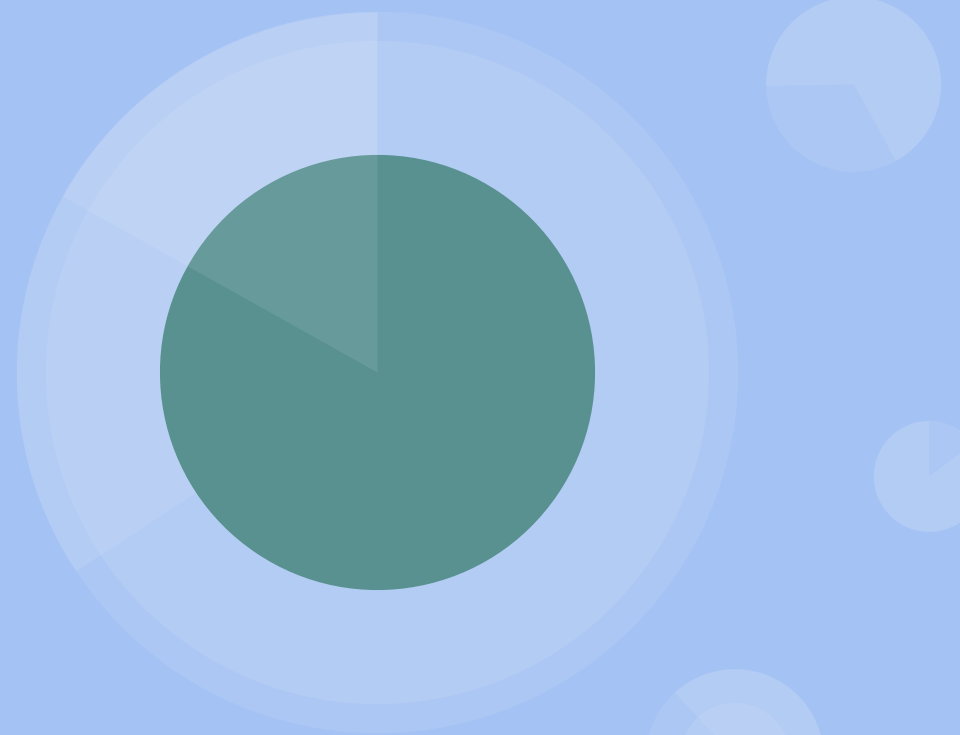


Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights- UPDATE S1790 - July 1, 2022

2022-2023 School Year
Presented September 29, 2022



Background

- S1790 - passed and signed in January 2022 effective July 1, 2022
- NJDOE Guidance released August 29,2022
- S1790- Refined areas of the original law and instituted mandated HIB Forms for reporting
- What does all of this mean? Let's find out...

Are there new requirements for the way that schools address HIB?

ANSWER: YES.

1. If the school district's policy permits the use of a preliminary determination for reports of HIB, then the superintendent must annually report to the Board of Education the number of times the preliminary determination was found to be outside the scope of HIB.
2. If an alleged incident of HIB is later founded as a verified incident of HIB, copies of the results of the investigation shall be placed in the student's record.
3. If a student is founded to have committed three incidents of HIB, then a principal, in consultation with appropriate school staff, shall develop an individual student intervention plan which shall be approved by the superintendent of schools or the superintendent's designee. Each subsequent act of verified HIB would also require a principal, in consultation with appropriate school staff, to develop an individual student intervention plan which would be approved by the superintendent of schools or the superintendent's designee.
4. When submitting a written report of HIB to the principal, the written report shall be on the HIB 338 Form.
5. The LEA shall provide a means for a parent or guardian to complete the HIB 338 Form, specified for Families and Caregivers, online and confidentially to report an incident of harassment, intimidation, or bullying.

What forms do schools need to use when an allegation of HIB is reported?

HIB FORM 338 - STAFF



HIB 338 Form
Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying (HIB) Reporting Form
2022-23 School Year
To Be Completed by Families / Caregivers

This form should be used by parents or guardians to report allegations of HIB. Once the form is received by the school, the principal is responsible for implementing the school district's policy and procedures. An investigation shall be completed as soon as possible, but not later than 10 school days from the date of the written report of the incident. Should you have any questions about the investigation, please contact the school principal.

Directions
Complete the form below to provide detailed information of the alleged HIB incident. If some fields are not applicable or if you are uncertain of the response, you may skip those fields. This form may be submitted anonymously.

Form

School Information

School District: _____
School: _____

Individual Completing Form

If you prefer to remain anonymous, leave this section blank.

Name of individual completing this form: _____
Relation to individual involved in alleged incident of HIB (e.g., parent, guardian, grandparent, etc.): _____
Phone number: _____ Email address: _____

Incident Information

Incident date (mm/dd/yy): _____ Approximate time of the incident: _____

Describe the incident with as much detail as possible. (What was the incident? Who was involved in the incident? How you were made aware of the incident? What happened at the time of the incident? How did the incident occur?)

Specific incident location(s) (e.g., on the morning school bus, in the science wing hallway, online via social media, etc.)

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HIB FORM 338 - Parents/Anonymous

<https://reporting.hibster.com/Pages/ReportIncident.aspx?Id=123>

Is DTS required to conduct an investigation if a parent/guardian does NOT complete the HIB 338 Form?

ANSWER : YES

DTS may NOT fail to initiate an investigation of HIB solely because written documentation was not provided.

If a parent makes a report to the school and DOES NOT complete the HIB 338 form, the DTS staff member who received the information should complete the HIB 338 Form and submit to the Assistant Principal in accordance with policy.

What information does DTS need to post on the District/School website?

The following should be posted on the District/School webpage:

- District HIB POLICY
- Contact information for the School Climate Coordinator - HIB@doe.nj.gov
- Guidance for Parents on the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act - NJDOE Website Link
- Contact information for the District's Anti-Bullying Coordinator
- DTS's most recent HIB Grade Report

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QUESTIONS

