



December 2, 2019

Re: VTRA - Letter of Fair Notice

Dear Sturgeon Public Schools Parents/Guardians:

Sturgeon Public Schools is committed to providing safe and caring learning environments for all students, staff, school visitors and community members. To this end, we have invested in the professional certification of administrative staff in Level 1 & Level 2 Violence and Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) training across the Division. VTRA helps schools respond quickly to incidents where students' behaviours pose a potential threat to safety or serious harm.

In the communities we are privileged to serve, we have signed off on formalized community-based VTRA protocols with regional partners such as neighboring school jurisdictions, the RCMP, Alberta Health Services, and other community agencies.

Please be advised that Sturgeon Public Schools require trained school staff members to complete a threat risk assessment in cases of students making significant threats to themselves or others. The purpose of the assessment is to determine the potential level of risk posed and identify supports that may be required. Parents and guardians will be notified if their child will be discussed as a result of a violent threat. It is important for all parties to engage in the threat risk assessment process. Personal information shared throughout the threat risk assessment process respects and weighs individual rights to privacy with the need to uphold the safety of all.

We are proud to be able to provide this level of support to our school communities and are most fortunate to have our community partners at our side.

Yours in rural Public Education,



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