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Presentation Outline

- SESIR Basics
- What's new for 2021-22
- Updated SESIR Definitions
- Web Links/Contacts

SESIR Basics

- Developed 1995 for school staff
- Based on criminal code
- 26 incident categories reported
- Each incident may have related elements: **alcohol, bullying, drug, gang, hate-crime, hazing, injury, vaping or weapon**

SESIR Incidents

- On school grounds, school transportation, or at off-campus school sponsored events
- The most serious offense (reported as Incident, Type) is the primary SESIR incident. Secondary offenses can be reported as one or more “**related elements**”.
- 365 days/24 hours
- Student, Non-Student, Out-of-District Student, School Personnel or Unknown Offenders

SESIR Reporting

- SESIR incidents are per incident. Report only ONE incident even when there are multiple students involved in the same incident.
- Discipline actions are per student.

Level I - Most Serious

Aggravated Battery

Arson

Homicide

Kidnapping

Sexual Battery

Level II

Burglary

Drug Sale/Distribution

Physical Attack

Robbery

Weapons Possession

Sexual Assault

Level III

Disruption On Campus

Drug Use/Possession

Hazing

Fighting

Larceny/Theft

Sexual Harassment

Sexual Offenses (Other)

Threat/Intimidation

Trespassing

Vandalism

Other Major Offenses

Level IV – Least Serious

Alcohol

Tobacco

Bullying

Harassment

What's new for 2021-22?

- *Updated* SESIR Rule: [6A-1.0017](#)
- US ED, Office for Civil Rights changes
 - Allegations of SXA or SXB against school personnel
 - Outcome of allegations of SXA or SXB
 - Incident Basis, Religion
 - Monthly SESIR reporting to DOE
- Changes to 6 SESIR definitions



SESIR Rule 6A-1.0017

- Scheduled to be approved by the SBOE on July 14, 2021
- Updates definitions and adds new federal CRDC reporting requirements

6A-1.0017 School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting (SESIR).

- (1) Purpose. The purpose of this rule is to set forth the requirements school districts must use to report disruptive or criminal incidents to the Florida Department of Education so that the data can, in turn, be used in required state and federal reports, including EdFacts, the United States Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights Data Collection (required by 20 U.S.C. 3413(c)(1)), the Gun Free Schools Act report (required by 20 U.S.C. 7961(d) and (e)), the Every Student Succeeds Act report cards (required by 20 U.S.C. 6311(h)(1) and (2)), and state reports on Bullying and Harassment (required by Section 1006.147, F.S.). SESIR data is also used to design and evaluate interventions to provide a safe learning environment. SESIR is not a law enforcement reporting system.
- (2) Definitions:
- (a) "Locally-defined incident" means an incident that is a violation of a local code of student conduct, but does not meet the definition of any incident reportable to SESIR.
 - (b) "Rank order level" means a classification of incidents, from Level I to Level IV, that determines which incident must be reported when more than one incident occurs during a single episode. The rank order level of each incident is noted under the incident definitions found in subsection (7) of this rule.
 - (c) "Related element" means a factor that was present during or contributed to the incident but was not the main offense. All related elements that are applicable are required to be reported with SESIR incidents.
 - (d) "School district" or "district" means a Florida school district, the Florida Virtual School (Section 1002.37, F.S.), the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind (Section 1002.36, F.S.), and Developmental Research (Laboratory) Schools (Section 1002.32, F.S.).
- (3) Analysis of incidents.
- (a) In order to determine whether an incident must be reported in SESIR, the following three (3) criteria must be met:
 1. The incident meets one of the SESIR incident definitions listed in subsection (7).
 2. The incident occurred on a K-12 school campus, on school-sponsored transportation, during off-campus school-sponsored activities, or off campus where the incident is accomplished through electronic means, if the incident substantially disrupts the educational process or orderly operation of a school.
 3. Where the incident was carried out by a student, taking into account developmentally age appropriate behavior and disability, if any, the student had the capacity to understand his or her behavior and the inappropriateness of his or her actions.
 - (b) SESIR incidents that meet the requirements of paragraph (3)(a) of this rule must be reported regardless of whether:
 1. The incident was carried out by a student, a person other than a student, or where the person who carried out the incident is unknown;
 2. The victim of the incident is a student, a person other than a student, or where the victim is unknown;
 3. The incident occurred when school was in session or not. SESIR incidents occur 365 days a year at any time of the day or night; or
 4. Disciplinary action is taken by the school district and regardless of whether law enforcement action is taken.
 - (b) All incidents meeting the requirements of subsection (3) of this rule must be reported by school districts to the Department of Education.
 - (c) A school district must not report an incident which meets the requirements of subsection (3) of this rule as a locally-defined incident in lieu of reporting the incident to the Department of Education.
- (5) General SESIR reporting conventions.
- (a) SESIR is an incident-based reporting system, which means that a single incident is reported, even where there are multiple offenders or victims, or multiple incidents that occur within one episode.
 1. If there is more than one incident in a single episode, districts are required to report only one incident based upon rank order level, beginning with incidents that are classified as Level I.
 2. If there are multiple incidents that have the same rank order level, districts must report the incident that caused the most injury or damage to property.
 - (b) When reporting a SESIR incident, districts are required to report all related elements as described in subsection (8) of this rule that are present or contribute to a reported incident. A related element must be reported even where it duplicates the incident. For example, when reporting an Alcohol incident, the Alcohol-related element must also be reported.
 - (c) School districts must report SESIR incidents to the Department during the survey periods and using the elements set forth in Rule 6A-1.0014, F.A.C., Comprehensive Management Information System.

Office for Civil Rights Changes

Allegations of SXA or SXB against a school staff member for offenses at school followed by:

- **resignation or retirement** prior to final discipline or termination
- determination that the school staff member **was responsible**
- determination that the school staff member **was not responsible**
- determination that remained **pending**
- **duty reassignment** prior to final discipline or termination

Incident, Involvement Type

UPDATED

Data Element Number: **139425**

Data Element Name: **Incident, Involvement Type**

A one-character code which identifies the type of offender involved in the incident.

Code	Definition/Example
B	Both Student and Non-Student
N	Non-Student
<u>Q</u>	<u>Out-of-District Student</u>
<u>P</u>	<u>School Personnel</u>
S	Student
U	Unknown
Z	Use this code for (HSN) HOPE Scholarship Notification, (UBL) Unsubstantiated Bullying and (UHR) Unsubstantiated Harassment.

School Personnel – Incident Outcome

NEW

Element Name: School Personnel – Incident Outcome

Subject: New Element

Year: 2122

Definition: A code to identify the incident outcome.

Code	Definition/Example
<u>D</u>	<u>Duty reassignment prior to discipline or termination</u>
<u>N</u>	<u>School personnel not responsible</u>
<u>P</u>	<u>Determination pending</u>
<u>R</u>	<u>Resignation or retirement prior to final discipline or termination</u>
<u>W</u>	<u>School personnel responsible</u>
<u>Z</u>	<u>Not Applicable</u>

Incident Basis, Religion

UPDATED

Data Element Number: **197258**

Data Element Name: **Incident, Basis - Religion**

<u>A</u>	<u>Atheism / Agnosticism</u>
<u>B</u>	<u>Buddhist</u>
<u>C</u>	<u>Catholic</u>
<u>E</u>	<u>Eastern Orthodox</u>
<u>G</u>	<u>Multiple Religions, Group</u>
<u>H</u>	<u>Hindu</u>
<u>I</u>	<u>Islamic (Muslim)</u>
<u>J</u>	<u>Jewish</u>
<u>M</u>	<u>Mormon</u>
<u>N</u>	The incident reported as bullying or harassment was not on the basis of religion.
<u>O</u>	<u>Other Christian</u>
<u>P</u>	<u>Protestant</u>
<u>S</u>	<u>Sikh</u>
<u>W</u>	<u>Jehovah's Witness</u>
<u>X</u>	<u>Other Religion</u>
<u>Y</u>	The incident reported as bullying or harassment was on the basis of religion.
<u>Z</u>	Not reported as a bullying or harassment incident.

District Number, Where Incident Occurred

UPDATED

Data Element Number: **115475**

Data Element Name: **District Number, ~~Reporting District~~ Where Incident Occurred**

The two-digit number for the current school district or other agency which is ~~reporting the incident.~~ where the incident occurred.

See Appendix C: District Name Table.

Code	Definition/Example
01 - 76	State assigned number for school district or other agency, excluding 69.
99	Other than Florida public school

Edits to the Edits

Most SESIR edit changes are due to the re-naming of this data element:

District Number Where Incident Occurred ~~Reporting District~~



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Updated SESIR Definitions 2021-22

Aggravated Battery

Level I

A battery where the attacker intentionally or knowingly causes more serious injury, such as: great bodily harm, permanent disability, or permanent disfigurement; uses a deadly weapon; or, where the attacker knew or should have known the victim was pregnant.

Alcohol

Level IV

Possession, sale, purchase, or use of alcoholic beverages. Use means the person is caught in the act of using, admits to use or is discovered to have used in the course of an investigation. Alcohol incidents cannot be Drug-related.

Other Major Incidents

Level III

Any serious, harmful incident resulting in the need for law enforcement consultation not previously classified. This includes any drug or weapon found unattended and not linked to any individual; such incidents must be coded with the appropriate Related element (such as Drug-related or Weapon-related) and incident involvement must be reported as unknown.

Threat/Intimidation

Level III

An incident where there was no physical contact between the offender and victim, but the victim felt that physical harm could have occurred based on verbal or nonverbal communication by the offender. This includes nonverbal threats (~~e.g., brandishing a weapon~~) and verbal threats of physical harm which are made in person, electronically or through any other means.

Tobacco

Level IV

The possession, use, distribution, or sale of tobacco or nicotine products on school grounds, at school-sponsored events, or on school transportation by any person under the age of 21. Tobacco incidents cannot be Drug-related.

Weapons Possession

Level II

Possession of a firearm or any instrument or object as defined by Section 790.001, F.S., or district code of conduct that can inflict serious harm on another person or that can place a person in reasonable fear of serious harm.

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