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School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting

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School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting

- SESIR system was initiated to enable schools to **track incidents and analyze patterns** of violent, criminal or disruptive activity.
- The intent is for there to be **complete and objective data** from which to design interventions to improve the learning environment.
- The annual SESIR report includes **incidents by school, by district and for the state** as a whole. Additionally, the disciplinary actions associated with the incidents are reported.

SESIR Incidents

- SESIR collects data on 26 types of incidents (**crime, violence, and disruptive behaviors** that occur on school grounds, on school transportation, and at off-campus, school-sponsored events) during any 24-hour period, 365 days per year.
- Incidents are reported by schools to the districts which, in turn, provide the data to FDOE.



SESIR

26 Incidents of Crime, Violence, and Disruptive Behaviors

- Aggravated Battery
- Alcohol
- Arson
- Bullying
- Burglary
- Criminal Mischief (\$1000)
- Disruption on Campus-Major
- Drug Sale/Distribution
- Drug Use/Possession
- Fighting
- Grand Theft (\$750)
- Harassment
- Hazing
- Homicide
- Kidnapping
- Other Major Incidents
- Robbery
- Sexual Assault
- Sexual Battery
- Sexual Harassment
- Sexual Offenses-Other
- Simple Battery
- Threat/Intimidation
- Tobacco
- Trespassing
- Weapons Possession

Unsubstantiated Incidents

Unsubstantiated Bullying

Unsubstantiated Harassment

Unsubstantiated Sexual Assault

Unsubstantiated Sexual Battery

SESIR Incidents by Level

Preliminary Rank Ordering of Incident Types for School Reporting

Level I

- Aggravated Battery
- Arson
- Homicide
- Kidnapping
- Sexual Battery

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Level II

- Burglary
- Drug Sale/Distribution
- Robbery
- Sexual Assault
- Simple Battery
- Weapons Possession

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Level III

- Criminal Mischief (\$1000)
- Disruption on Campus-Major
- Drug Use/Possession
- Fighting
- Grand Theft (\$750)
- Hazing
- Other Major Incidents
- Sexual Harassment
- Sexual Offenses-Other
- Threat/Intimidation
- Trespassing

SESIR Incidents by Level

Preliminary Rank Ordering of Incident Types for School Reporting

Level IV

- Alcohol
- Bullying
- Harassment
- Tobacco

SESIR Incidents

Reporting to Law Enforcement (LE) Requirements

- All Incident, Type must be reported to LE except:
 - “BUL” (Bullying)
 - “HAR” (Harassment)
 - “SXH” (Sexual Harassment)
 - “TBC” (Tobacco)
- All Related Elements must be reported to LE except:
 - Bullying-Related
 - Injury-Related (“B” Less Serious Injury)
 - Vaping-Related
- Reject edits are pending for 2024-25 FDOE database rollover.

Incident, Injury-Related Definitions

- “A” – (More Serious) Death or bodily injury which involves: a substantial risk of death; extreme physical pain; protracted and obvious disfigurement; or protracted loss or impairment of the function of a bodily member, organ, or mental faculty.
- “B” – (Less Serious) Bodily injury which requires immediate first aid or subsequent medical attention that does not meet the definition in code A above.

Incident, Reported to Law Enforcement Definitions

“A” – Arrest - Official action was taken by a School Resource Officer (SRO) or local law enforcement officer in response to a SESIR incident which resulted in arrest.

Incident, Reported to Law Enforcement Definitions

“D” – Diversion - Official action was taken by a School Resource Officer (SRO) or local law enforcement officer in response to a SESIR incident which resulted in referral to a civil citation or similar prearrest diversion program authorized by Section 985.12, F.S.

Incident, Reported to Law Enforcement Definitions

“I” – Involuntary Examination - Official action was taken by a School Resource Officer (SRO) or local law enforcement officer in response to a SESIR incident which resulted in involuntary examination authorized by Section 394.463, F.S. (Baker Act).

Incident, Reported to Law Enforcement Definitions

“L” – No Law Enforcement Action - No official action was taken by a School Resource Officer (SRO) or local law enforcement officer in response to a SESIR incident.

Incident, Reported to Law Enforcement Definitions

“M” – Involuntary Examination - Official action was taken by a School Resource Officer (SRO) or local law enforcement officer in response to a SESIR incident that was not an arrest, referral to a civil citation or similar prearrest diversion program authorized by Section 985.12, F.S., or initiation of an involuntary examination authorized by Section 394.463, F.S.

Incident, Reported to Law Enforcement Definitions

“N” – Not Reported to Law Enforcement - The incident is not a threat to school safety and is a petty act of misconduct as defined by school board policy and is consistent with the agreement with the county sheriff’s office and local police department for determining which incidents are reported to law enforcement.

2023-24 School Year Data in Review

Incident, Reported to Law Enforcement “N”

Category	Percentage Not Reported to Law Enforcement
Level I Incidents (most serious)	20%
Level II Incidents	23%
Level III Incidents	31%
Level IV Incidents (least serious)	45%
More serious Injury-Related Incidents	66 incidents

- Reject edits are pending for 2024-25 FDOE database rollover.

2023-24 School Year Data in Review

Incident, Reported to Law Enforcement “N”

- FDOE reviews incidents that were not reported to Law Enforcement, with special consideration to any to the following criteria:
 - Incident, Involvement Type
 - Injury-Related = “A” (More Serious)

2023-24 School Year Data in Review

Possible Over-Reporting

- Over-reporting in a category may be occurring when high-level reported incidents are disproportionate to each other.
 - i.e., A district reports only Aggravated Battery (BAT) incidents but does not once report a Simple Battery (PHA) or Fighting (FIT) incident.

2023-24 School Year Data in Review

Bullying, Bullying-Related, and Threat/Intimidation

- FDOE reviews the following and their relation to each other:
 - Incident, Type = “BUL” (Bullying)
 - Incident, Bullying-Related = “Y” (Yes)
 - Incident, Type = “TRE” (Threat/Intimidation)
- 4% of all incidents statewide were “BUL” (Bullying).
- 4% of “TRE” (Threat/Intimidation) incidents are Bullying-Related.
- 49% of schools reporting SESIR incidents did not report any Bullying or Bullying-Related incidents.

2023-24 School Year Data in Review

Weapon, Description

- Midyear there were 85 Level III or Level IV incidents that were gun- or knife-involved:
 - Weapon, Description = “F”, “H”, “K”, “M”, or “R”
(Firearm, Other; Handgun; Knife; Multiple Types of Firearms; Rifle or Shotgun)
 - This is a slight decrease in compared to previous year.
- FDOE sends out reminders during the Survey 5 processing period to ensure accurate weapon descriptions have been reported.

2023-24 School Year Data in Review

Incident, Weapon-Related

- FDOE reviews the following:
 - Level III or IV incident type coded Incident, Weapon-Related = “1”, “2”, “3”, or “4” (Yes, [...])
 - Incident, Reported to Law Enforcement = “N” (No)
 - Weapon, Discharged = “Y” (Yes) - miscoded

2023-24 School Year Data in Review

Logical Conflicts

- Incident, Type coded with Incident, Involvement Type = “Z”:
 - Incident, Involvement Type = “Z” is only to be used for Incident, Type that are Unsubstantiated.
- Various Incident, Type coded with Incident, Hate Crime-Related = “Y” (Yes):
 - Certain combinations are inherently not likely to occur. When coded together, a second look at the details of the incident could resolve inaccurate SESIR reporting.

2023-24 Data Quality: Areas of Focus

FDOE is actively reviewing:

- Incident, Type: “BUL” (Bullying), “DRU” (Drug Use/Possession), “FIT” (Fighting), “TRS” (Trespassing), “WPO” (Weapons Possession)
- Related Elements: Weapon-Related, Gang-Related
- Incident, Involvement Type “P” (Personnel)
- Department of Juvenile Justice Arrest and Civil Citation data compared to SESIR data

2023-24 FDOE Observations

- Inconsistent public interpretation of post-January 2023 Incident, Reported to Law Enforcement codes and potential actions taken.
- Inconsistent public interpretation of reported numbers:
 - Are reported incident numbers accurate to that district, or low or high in comparison to other districts of similar or different size?

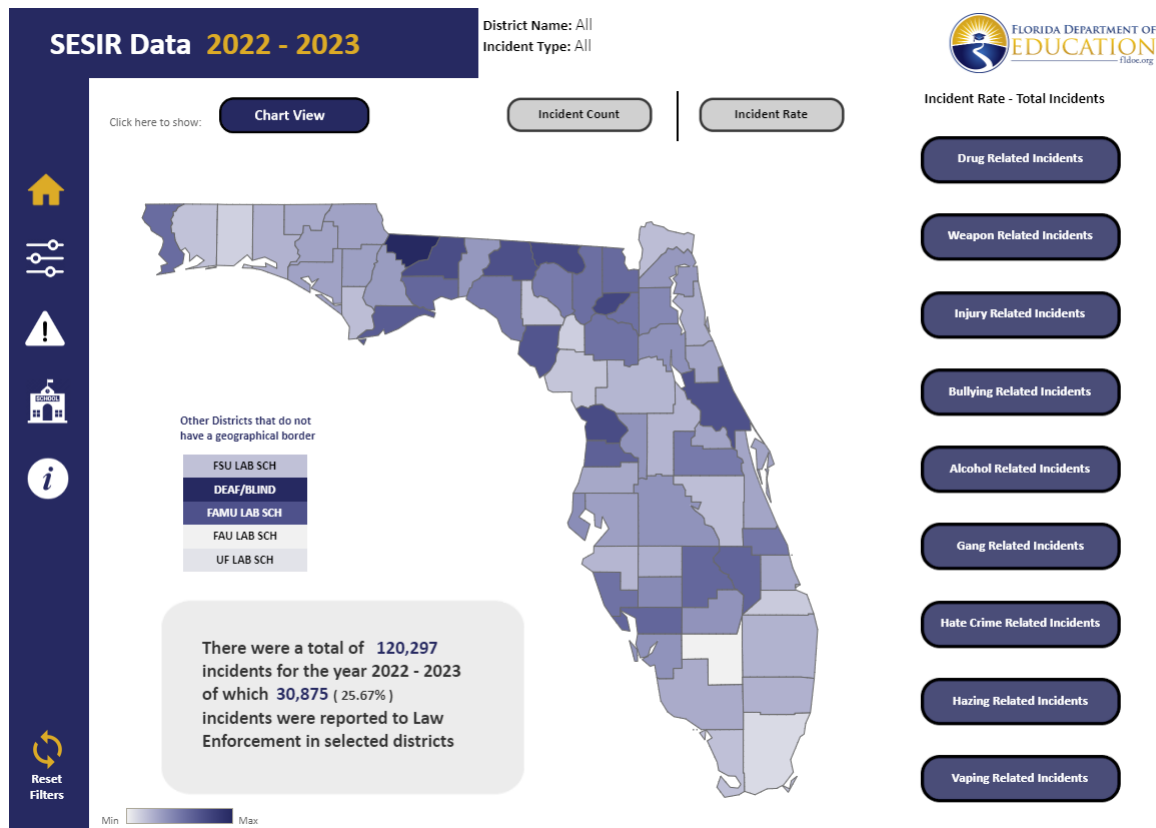


New for 2024-25

- Improved reporting and quality controls:
 - System validation and reject edits are pending for 2024-25 FDOE database rollover.
- Improved design of SESIR annual incident report:
 - Incident, Reported to Law Enforcement numbers are broken out by code to provide transparency.
- Statewide Threat Management and SESIR Portals under development.

New for 2024-25

FDOE SESIR Dashboard



New for 2024-25

Florida School Safety Dashboard v2 (Safe Schools for Alex, University of Florida research)

Safety Incidents

School District: Palm Beach

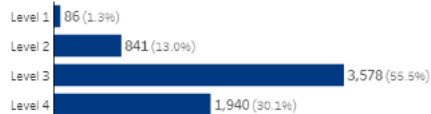
Overview

6,445

Incidents in '22-'23
School Year
As of Survey 5
Aug-Jul 2023

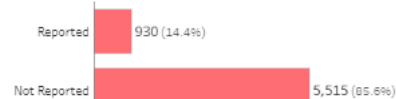
Incidents by Level of Severity

All Selected Incident Types | [Click to filter](#)



Incidents Reported to Law Enforcement

All Levels, All Incident Types | Not all incidents result in arrest



All Incidents

Level of Severity

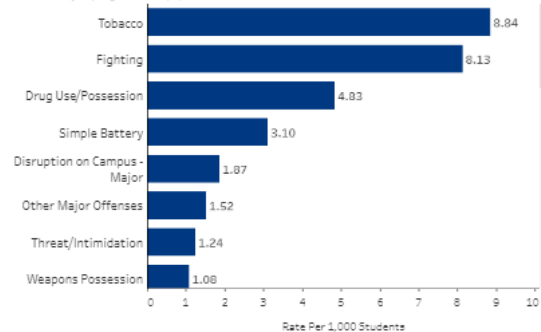
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Incident Type

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Incident Rates by Incident Type: All Levels

As of Survey 5 (Aug-Jul 2023) | [Click to filter](#)

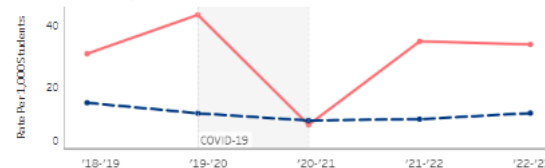


*Select an incident type above to see available resources



Historical Incident Rates

All Selected Incident Types



State averages are calculated using combined average district data. For overall state values, please visit the state analytics page.

Where to get more information

- www.SESIR.org training (*Single Sign-On required*)
- SESIR Codes and Definitions: <https://www.fldoe.org/safe-schools/sesir-discipline-data/>
- SESIR Data Page: <https://www.fldoe.org/safe-schools/discipline-data.shtml>
- [School Environmental Safety Incident Report](#) reporting format
- [Student Discipline/Resultant Action](#) reporting format

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