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Student Well-Being and Bullying Reporting Telephone Lines

Each school under the jurisdiction of the Lambton Kent District School Board now has a dedicated telephone line to receive information regarding student well-being or bullying concerns. The system is designed to provide principals with email notification that a message has been left, and it is their responsibility to then follow-up on the information and determine the appropriate course of action to take.

Principals will be communicating directly with students, staff, and families to inform them of the reporting line availability and the specific number that can be used. Information will be posted on the Board web site as well for family and community reference.

Making these communication lines available not only meets the expectation contained in Bill 13, that students have an anonymous reporting mechanism available to them should they have concerns about bullying, but it allows the Board to broaden the scope of information received to include overall student well-being, which has direct relevance to the mental health initiative.

Below is the voice message that callers will hear:

“You have reached the Student Wellness and Bullying Intervention Hotline for <name of school>. We invite you to share a concern on behalf of a student's well-being, or to report a bullying situation. At <name of school> we take student safety and well-being seriously and your message will be addressed. Please leave a detailed message. We respect your choice to report anonymously if that's your wish. Otherwise, you're invited to leave us your name and telephone # for follow-up if necessary.

Please note that messages in this mailbox are only checked during regular school hours. If this is an emergency, or you need immediate assistance, please call the Kids Help Phone at 1-888-668-6868, the Distress Line at 1-888-347-3747, or call 911.”

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