

# The End to Cyberbullying Act became law on May 6, 2015

Georgia law and Cobb County School District Policy are aligned to protect and safeguard all students and school personnel.

The term bullying now also applies to acts of **cyberbullying** which occur through the use of electronic communication, whether or not the act originated on school property or with school equipment, IF the electronic communication:

- is directed specifically at students or school personnel **AND**
- is maliciously intended for the purpose of threatening the safety of those specified or substantially disrupting the orderly operation of the school **AND**
- creates a reasonable fear of harm to the student's or school personnel's person or property or has a high likelihood of succeeding in that purpose.



## Helpful Links for Parents

[http://www.cobbk12.org/centraloffice/adminrules/J/JCDA-R\\_\(Elementary\).pdf](http://www.cobbk12.org/centraloffice/adminrules/J/JCDA-R_(Elementary).pdf)

[http://www.cobbk12.org/centraloffice/adminrules/J/JCDA-R\\_\(Middle\).pdf](http://www.cobbk12.org/centraloffice/adminrules/J/JCDA-R_(Middle).pdf)

[http://www.cobbk12.org/centraloffice/adminrules/J/JCDA-R\\_\(High\).pdf](http://www.cobbk12.org/centraloffice/adminrules/J/JCDA-R_(High).pdf)

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# Parent/Guardian Action Steps to RECOGNIZE and RESPOND to Bullying

Review pamphlet (<http://www.cobbk12.org/bully/>) called *Understanding Playful vs. Hurtful Teasing & Bullying Behavior* and discuss situation with your student.

Then, if applicable:

- Contact classroom teacher or specific campus personnel like a counselor to discuss;
- Contact school administration
- Contact CCSD's Prevention Intervention Center at 770-429-5846



## RESOURCES

<http://www.cobbk12.org/centraloffice/preventionintervention/>  
Georgia School Safety Hotline: 1-877-SAY-STOP (1-877-729-7867)