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## Maywood School District Community:

This memo serves as a reminder that the district's Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Policy can be found on the district's website at <a href="www.maywoodschools.org">www.maywoodschools.org</a>. Each school year every school district in New Jersey is required to indicate as such to its parent community. Although your child brings home a myriad of paperwork and notices each and every day, one of the most important items of interest in a school environment is its policy on making sure that students are safe.

All students have a fundamental right to a free public education. Students in the Maywood Public School District should be able to pursue their academic goals, and to be successful. Along with this right, they have a responsibility to join with other students in respecting the rights of others. Our school district believes that an effective instructional program requires an orderly school environment and that the effectiveness of the educational program is, in part, reflected in the behavior of students. Our district expects students to conduct themselves in keeping with their level of maturity, with a proper regard for the rights and welfare of other students, for school personnel, for the educational purpose underlying all school activities, and for the care of school facilities and equipment. Our school district believes that standards of student behavior must be set cooperatively by interaction among the students, parents/guardians, staff and community, producing an atmosphere that encourages students to grow in self-discipline. Such an atmosphere must include respect for self and others, as well as for district and community property.

Please review the policy and have a productive conversation with your child regarding the importance of respecting others, caring for the well being of others, and contributing to the overall safe and comforting climate that every school should have. We thank you for your contributions to our district .

Sincerely,

Michael Jordan

Michael Jordan Superintendent of Schools