



QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

HEALTHY TEEN RELATIONSHIP ACT

Teen dating violence is a significant issue, and describes when individuals mistreat their young dating partners—physically, mentally, emotionally, or sexually. These violent relationships have lasting effects, leading to substance abuse, eating disorders, risky behavior, and a higher risk of future domestic violence. Half of those facing both dating violence and rape attempt suicide.

Because of prevalence and severe long-term impacts of teen dating violence, Oregon passed HB 4077 (Healthy Teen Relationship Act) in 2013, which mandates that each school district adopt a policy addressing teen dating violence (ORS 339.366).

Healthy Teen Relationship HB 4077 (ORS 339.366) mandates that all Oregon school district boards or private schools shall adopt a policy (JFCF) that contains the following:

1. States that teen dating violence is unacceptable and is prohibited and that each student has the right to a safe learning environment.
2. Incorporates age-appropriate education about teen dating violence and domestic violence into new or existing training programs for students in grades 7 through 12.
3. Establishes procedures for how employees of a school are to respond to incidents of teen dating violence that take place at the school, on school grounds, at school-sponsored activities or in vehicles used for school-provided transportation.
4. Identifies job titles for the school officials who are responsible for receiving reports related to teen dating violence (ORS 339.356 (District policy required)).
5. Notifies students and parents of the teen dating violence and domestic violence policies adopted by the board or school.



ODE (Oregon Department of Education) Resources:

- [Healthy Teen Relationship Act Toolkit: A Local School District's Guide to Teen Dating Violence Prevention](#), Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence OCADSV (start here)
- [Connecting Goals and Strategies for a Healthier and Safer Oregon for Young People](#), Oregon Attorney General's Sexual Assault Task Force (SATF) *Sexuality education plays a key role in connecting strategies between child abuse prevention, sexual and dating violence prevention, sexual health promotion, and suicide prevention.*
- [Tips on Mandatory Reporting](#)
- ODE Civil Rights Resources
 - [Gender Equity and Sexual Harassment](#) *Includes guidance for school districts to create safe space for transgender students.*
 - [Civil Rights Title IX](#)
- [Domestic Violence Poster English](#)
- [Domestic Violence Poster Spanish](#)



Teen Dating Violence Statistics & Facts

- Teen dating violence does not necessitate a sexual relationship.
- Teen dating violence affects approximately 1.5 million high school students annually.
- One in three girls' experiences abuse, with one in ten students purposefully harmed by a partner.
- Girls aged 16-24 face a significantly higher rate of intimate partner violence.
- Half of youths experiencing both dating violence and rape attempt suicide.
- Only 33% of abused teens disclose the abuse.

Domestic Violence Resources

- National Domestic Violence Hotline: [800-799-7233](tel:800-799-7233)
 - o SMS: Text START to 88788
- [Oregon Domestic Violence Services](#)
- [Oregon Domestic Violence Resources](#)
- [Love Is Respect](#)