



SERENDIPITY CENTER, INC. POLICIES & PROCEDURES

SUBJECT: Dating and Domestic Violence Prevention and Reporting Policy

EFFECTIVE: December 15, 2021; Revised October 2025

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that Serendipity's dating violence prevention program includes age-appropriate education on healthy versus unhealthy relationships, consent, and boundaries and provides valuable resources and support for affected students.

POLICY

Every Serendipity student has the right to be free from dating or domestic violence and has the right to a safe learning environment. Any form of teen dating violence or domestic violence is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated.

DEFINITIONS

"Dating" or "dating relationship" means an ongoing social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature between two persons. "Dating" or "dating relationship" does not include a casual relationship or ordinary fraternization between two persons in a business or social context.

"Domestic violence" means abuse as defined between family and household members, as defined in Oregon law.

"Teen dating violence" means a pattern of behavior in which a person uses or threatens to use physical, mental or emotional abuse to control another person who is in a dating relationship with the person, where one or both persons are 13 to 19 years of age; or behavior by which a person uses or threatens to use sexual violence against another person who is in a dating relationship with the person, where one or both persons are 13 to 19 years of age.

REPORTING

Students, employees, parents, and volunteers should report concerns about or rumors of dating/domestic violence to the compliance manager or the treatment director. This includes, but is not limited 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. If the conduct rises to the level of child abuse, employees are also required to report in accordance with the Child Abuse Reporter requirements.

Serendipity displays posters regarding dating/domestic violence prevention in clearly visible locations on the school campus.

Serendipity prohibits retaliation against anyone making a report of teen dating violence or domestic violence and will follow up immediately on any concerns of retaliation.

RESOURCES

For confidential resources: ocadsv.org/find-help

Love is Respect: loveisrespect.org

Call: 866.331.9474

Text: LOVEIS to 22522

For safety concerns:

Emergency response call 9-1-1

SafeOregon.com

Call or text: 844-472-3367

Email: tip@safeoregon.com