

## **Section 4: Recovery**

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## **Section 4.2 - Grief-Counseling Procedures**

Short-term behavioral health crisis intervention procedures will set forth the procedures for initiating behavioral health crisis intervention plans. The procedures will utilize available resources including the school psychologist, counselor, community behavioral health crisis intervention, or others in the community. Counseling procedures will be used whenever the Superintendent or Principal determines it to be necessary, such as after an assault, a hostage situation, shooting, or suicide. The behavioral health crisis intervention procedures shall include the following steps:

- 1. The Principal will meet with relevant persons, including school psychologists and counselors, to determine the level of intervention needed for students and staff.
- 2. Designate specific rooms as private counseling areas.
- 3. Escort siblings and close friends of any victims as well as others in need of emotional support to the counseling areas.
- 4. Prohibit media from interviewing or questioning students or staff.
- 5. Provide follow-up services to students and staff who receive counseling.
- 6. Identify and monitor at-risk students.
- 7. Resume normal school routines as soon as possible.
- 8. Implement longer-term social/emotional recovery plan.

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