

INTERVIEW OF STUDENT POSING THREAT (completed by school-based administrator or dean)

When a threat is identified, obtain a specific account of the threat by interviewing the student or other person who made the threat. Write the exact content of the threat. Consider the circumstances in which the threat was made and the threatening individual's intentions.

Student Name		Date of Interview
Person(s) Conducting Interview		Location (where interview takes place)

Must be completed by a school-based administrator or dean. It is recommended that another member of the TAT be present. Please begin by attempting to establish rapport, then use these questions as a guide to interview the person making the threat or exhibiting a behavior of concern. Consider the developmental level of the student and adjust the language of the questions accordingly. Ask other questions as appropriate. Try to use open-ended questions rather than leading questions.

1. Do you know why I want to talk to you? What happened today when you were [place of incident]? (Record person's exact words with quotation marks for key statements if possible.) Exactly what did you do?
2. What exactly did you say? What did you mean when you said that? (probe to find out if there is a prior conflict/history to this threat or behavior.)
3. What are the steps you have taken or plans you have made toward carrying out the threat?
4. Do you have access to what you would need to be able to do this? Do you have access to any weapons (e.g., gun, knife, bomb materials, etc.)?
5. How do you think [person who was threatened] feels about what you said or did? (Probe to see if the student believes he/she frightened or intimidated the person.)
6. What are you going to do now? (Ask questions to determine if the subject intends to carry out the threat.)
7. What could be done to make things better or prevent this from happening again?