

**TOMS RIVER REGIONAL SCHOOLS
SEMI-ANNUAL DISTRICT STUDENT SAFETY DATA SYSTEM (SSDS) REPORT**

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By law, all New Jersey public school districts must use the Student Safety Data System (SSDS) to report incidents of violence, vandalism, weapons, substance abuse, and harassment, intimidation, and bullying (HIB). These reports fulfill state and federal requirements and are presented semi-annually for the periods of July 1-December 31 and January 1-June 30.

The SSDS replaces the Electronic Violence and Vandalism Reporting System (EVVRS) in use prior to this school year and is in addition to the HIB reporting system.

The following information has been collected for the reporting period of July 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017.

34	Acts of violence (fight/assault, threat, theft)
2	Acts of vandalism
1	Weapons
22	Substance abuse
33	HIB confirmed*
92	TOTAL

*HIB alleged: 52

A wide swath of district personnel are involved in working to reduce such acts and to document and analyze their occurrence, including:

- Over 1400 certified staff members
- Over 1000 support staff
- Guidance counselors
- Substance abuse counselors
- School resource and safety officers

District staff also work closely with local and regional law enforcement, mental health professionals, and other members of our community to prevent and respond to incidents concerning student safety.

School safety, respect, HIB, and reducing substance abuse are part of our health and other curriculums, and events during the year, some state mandated and others initiated by the district, bring focus to these issues, including the Week of Respect, Red Ribbon Week, School Violence Awareness Week, Child Assault Prevention, and Responsive Classroom.