

## Definitions in Combined Incident Reporting Software (CIRS) School Year 2016 - 2017

Incident Type	Definition
Alcohol sale/ distribution	Selling alcoholic beverages and/ or distributing (e.g. giving away) alcoholic beverages.
Alcohol use/ possession	Drinking alcoholic beverages and/ or having alcoholic beverages in one' pocket(s), bag(s), car, locker, etc.
Arson	Unlawfully and intentionally damaging, or attempting to damage, any school or personal property by fire or incendiary device.
Assault, aggravated	Purposefully, knowingly or recklessly, attempting to cause serious bodily injury to another, with a deadly weapon, unlawful medical, or therapeutic impairment, under circumstances manifesting extreme indifference to the value of human life.
Assault and robbery causing bodily injury	Taking of, or attempting to take, anything of value that is owned by another person or organization under confrontational circumstances by force or threat of force or violence and/ or by putting the victim in fear.
Assault and robbery with a dangerous weapon	Taking of, or attempting to take, anything of value that is owned by another person or organization under confrontational circumstances while being armed with a dangerous weapon.
Battery	Touching or striking of another person against his or her will or intentionally causing bodily harm to an individual that is not fighting back.
Bullying	Any overt act or combination of acts directed against a student by another student or group of students and which is repeated over time, is intended to ridicule, humiliate, or intimidate the student; and occurs during the school day on school property, on a school bus, or at a school-sponsored activity, or before or after the school day on a school bus or at a school-sponsored activity.
Burglary/ Breaking and entering	Unlawfully entering or attempting entry into a building or other structure with the intent to commit a crime.
Danger to self	Any occurrence or imminent threat of physical harm to oneself.
Disorderly conduct	Any act that disrupts the orderly conduct of a school function, learning environment, health, safety, or welfare of others.
Domestic assault	Any attempt to cause or willfully or recklessly causes bodily injury to a student by a household member, or willfully causes a student to fear imminent serious bodily injury by a household member.
Domestic assault, aggravated	Any attempts to cause or willfully or recklessly causes serious bodily injury to a student by a household member; or, uses, attempts to use or is armed with a deadly weapon and threatens to use the deadly weapon on a student by a household member, or, when a family member willfully or recklessly causes serious bodily injury to a student and has been previously convicted of aggravated domestic assault.
Drugs other than alcohol/ tobacco sale/ distribution	Unlawful distribution or sale of any illegal drugs.
Drugs other than alcohol/ tobacco use/ possession	Smoking, snorting, injecting, ingesting, or otherwise using illegal drug, which includes the unauthorized use of prescription and over the counter drugs.
Fighting	Mutual participation in an incident involving physical violence, where there is not major injury.
Harassment (16 VSA § 11(26) (A))	An act or repeated acts of verbal, written, visual, or physical aggression that is hostile, annoys, threatens, frightens, intimidates, offends or embarrasses a student or employee that are inspired by the student's or employee's perceived race, creed, color, national origin, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, religion, or disability; and disrupts educational performance or access to school resources.
Hazing	Any act or situation that endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student for purpose of initiation or admission into or affiliation with any school-sanctioned organization.
Homicide	Killing a human being.
Kidnapping	Unlawful seizure, transportation, and/ or detention of a person against his/ her will, or of a minor without the consent of his/ her custodial parent(s) or legal guardian. This category includes hostage-taking.
Lewd or lascivious conduct	Inappropriate sexual behavior towards a student or employee.
Lewd or lascivious conduct with a child	Willfully commits any inappropriate sexual act upon or with the body, or any part or member thereof, of a student under the age of 16 years, with the intent of arousing, appealing to, or gratifying the lust, passions or sexual desires of such person or of such student.

Maiming	Act with malicious intent to disfigure another student's body part through injury, and any student or employee privy to such intent who shall be present aiding in the commission of such offense.
Property damage	Imminent threat of or actual damage to school property.
Racial harassment (16 VSA §11 (26) (Bii))	Conduct directed at the characteristics of a student's or a student's family member's actual or perceived race or color, and includes the use of epithets, stereotypes, racial slurs, comments, insults, derogatory remarks, gestures, threats, graffiti, display, or circulation of written or visual material, and taunts on manner of speech and negative references to racial customs.
School conduct/ policy violation	Other behavior that could not be identified as an Incident Type.
School threat-bomb violation	Intentionally making a false report of potential harm from a bomb, dynamite, explosive, or arson-causing device.
School threat-fire alarm	Verbally or otherwise (e.g. ringing alarm bells) making a false report of fire.
School threat-other	School threat, other than bomb or fire alarm violations.
Sexual assault	Oral, anal, or vaginal penetration forcibly or against the person's will or where the victim is incapable of giving consent. This includes rape, fondling, indecent liberties, child molestation, and sodomy.
Simple assault resulting in bodily injury	Attempts to cause or purposely, knowingly or recklessly causes bodily injury to another; or negligently causes bodily injury to another with a deadly weapon; or attempts by physical menace to put another in fear of imminent serious bodily injury.
Sexual battery	Sexual contact forcibly and/ or against the person's will or where the victim is incapable of giving consent
Sexual harassment (16 VSA § 11 (26) (Bi, BI, BII))	This means conduct that includes unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors and other verbal, written, visual, or physical conduct of a sexual nature when one or both of the following occur: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• submission to that conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of a student's education; and</li> <li>• submission to or rejection of such conduct by the student is used as a component of the basis for decisions affecting that student.</li> </ul> Sexual harassment is not limited to situations described above. Student on student is more likely to fall under the general definition of harassment.
Stalking	Engage in a course of conduct which consists of following or lying in wait or harassing, and serves no legitimate purpose; and causes the person to fear for his or her physical safety or causes the person substantial emotional distress.
Theft/ larceny/ robbery	The unlawful taking of property belonging to another person without threat, violence or bodily harm. Electronic theft of data should be coded here. Do not include dealing in stolen goods in this category.
Threat/ intimidation	Physical, verbal, written, or electronic action which immediately creates fear of harm, without displaying a weapon and without subjecting the victim to actual physical attack.
Tobacco use/ distribution	Sale of tobacco products (e.g. cigarettes, chewing tobacco) and/ or distribution (e.g. giving away) tobacco products.
Tobacco use/ possession	Smoking, chewing, or otherwise using tobacco and/ or having tobacco in one's pocket(s), bag(s), car, locker, etc.
Trespassing	To enter or remain on a public school campus or school board facility without authorization of invitation and with no lawful purpose for entry.
Unlawful restraint	See <a href="#">Vermont Statute 2406</a> and <a href="#">Vermont Statute 2407</a> .
Vandalism-other	Vandalism that cannot be coded as personal or school property.
Vandalism-personal property	Willful destruction or defacement of personal property.
Vandalism-school property	Willful destruction or defacement of school property.
Weapons possession	Possession of an instrument or object to inflict harm on other persons. Both firearms and other weapons should be coded here.