

Additional Resources for K-12 Incidents, Reporting, and Support

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It is essential that antisemitic incidents are properly reported and recorded. In addition to reporting incidents to the Jewish Federation of Greater Rochester (see contacts), the following organizations provide additional information and support.



This QR code connects to an online resources page for parents and schools: <https://www.endhateroc.org/resources2027>

Anti-Defamation League (ADL) – [Report an Incident](#)

The ADL provides a platform for individuals to report incidents of antisemitism, extremism, bias, bigotry, or hate. Reports can be submitted through an online form or via their Virtual Assistant. The ADL assesses each report to offer support and determine appropriate actions.

More Information: <https://www.adl.org/>

Legal Assistance

Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law – [Get Legal Help](#)

The Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law offers legal assistance to individuals who have experienced antisemitic harassment or discrimination in educational settings or the workplace. Their attorneys are available to discuss incidents and provide guidance on potential legal actions.

Contact Information: Phone: 202-559-9296 Email: info@brandeiscenter.com

More Information: <https://brandeiscenter.com/get-legal-help/BrandeisCenter>

StandWithUs

Stand With Us can help you explore filing an OCR (Office of Civil Rights) complaint with the Department of Education. They have prepared complaints for a Dallas high school student, for example.

More Information: <https://www.standwithus.com/>

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Safe Jewish

Safe Jewish is a platform dedicated to connecting victims of antisemitism with pro bono or contingency-based legal representation. By creating a profile and detailing the incident, individuals can be matched with attorneys licensed in their state who are committed to addressing antisemitic discrimination and harassment. This service ensures that victims have access to legal support without financial barriers.

More Information: <https://safejewish.com/>

The Lawfare Project

The Lawfare Project is a global network of legal professionals dedicated to upholding the civil and human rights of the Jewish people. They provide pro bono legal services to individuals and entities facing antisemitic discrimination, harassment, or other unlawful conduct due to their Jewish identity. Their initiatives include the Campus Civil Rights Project, which offers guidance and legal assistance to students, professors, and campus groups experiencing antisemitism in educational settings.

Contact 212-339-6995

Email: info@thelawfareproject.org

More Information: <https://www.thelawfareproject.org/>

International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA)

The International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance works to promote Holocaust education, remembrance, and research. IHRA strives to ensure that future generations understand the history and the atrocities of the Holocaust to prevent the rise of hatred and discrimination.

Visit: <https://www.holocaustremembrance.com/>

Inside the Middle East

Inside the Middle East offers in-depth analysis and reporting on issues related to the region, including rising antisemitism. This platform provides essential information and discussions that help combat discrimination through education and awareness.

Visit: <https://www.insidethemiddleeast.com/>

Antisemitism Detection Checklist – Screening Out Hate NEA-JAC Tool

This checklist serves as a tool to help educators, administrators, and community members identify and address antisemitic content or biases within educational materials and school environments. Developed by the National Education Association's Jewish Affairs Caucus (NEA-JAC), it aims to promote awareness and proactive measures in screening out hate and fostering inclusive educational settings.

Access the Checklist:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/16MRnHGDIUx2QCzpf3RERFdGnWVXhGtm-/edit>

How to Identify Antisemitism

This guide offers a clear and practical framework for recognizing antisemitic behavior and rhetoric in various settings. It serves as a resource for educators, students, and community leaders aiming to better understand and challenge antisemitism.

View the guide: <https://www.icsresources.org/curriculum/>

U.S. Department of Education – Shared Ancestry Fact Sheet

This fact sheet from the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) clarifies how Title VI of the Civil Rights Act protects students from discrimination based on shared ancestry or ethnic characteristics, including antisemitism. It outlines the responsibilities of schools in preventing and addressing these incidents.

Access the fact sheet: <https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/ocr-factsheetshared-ancestry-202301.pdf>

U.S. Department of Education – Know Your Rights: Religious Discrimination

This guidance document outlines students' rights to be free from religious discrimination in schools under federal law. It also provides examples of what constitutes religious discrimination and how schools should respond.

View the document: <https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/know-rights201701-religious-disc.pdf>

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Institute for Curriculum Services (ICS)

ICS supports accurate, standards-aligned, and inclusive teaching about Jewish history, antisemitism, and the Holocaust. Their curriculum materials are free for educators and widely used across the U.S. to help ensure respectful and informed instruction.

Explore curriculum resources: <https://www.icsresources.org/curriculum/>

CAMERA (Committee for Accuracy in Middle East Reporting and Analysis)

CAMERA's K-12 Education Program empowers communities to identify, expose, and counter anti-Israel indoctrination and anti-Jewish hatred in their schools. The organization offers expert insights, teaching strategies, and educational resources including toolkits, maps, and curriculum on their website, collects data based on antisemitic incidents around the country, and provides consultation to educators.

Contact: schools@camera.org Tel: 617-789-3672

New York State Anti-Bullying Laws and Policies w/ Components of Regulations

New York State requires all public, charter, and non-public schools to follow strict anti-bullying and harassment laws to protect students. To view these policies, visit

<https://www.stopbullying.gov/resources/laws/new-york> .

The Dignity for All Students Act (DASA)/New York State Education Department

New York State's Dignity for All Students Act (The Dignity Act) seeks to provide the State's public elementary and secondary school students with a safe and supportive environment free from discrimination, intimidation, taunting, harassment, and bullying on school property, a school bus and/or at a school function. DASA forms should be filled out by the student with support from a trusted adult (e.g. parent, teacher) and submitted to the school's DASA coordinator, often a building administrator such as an Assistant Principal. Many forms are now available online on district websites.

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National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN)

NCTSN provides guidance on discussing hate crimes and antisemitism with children, offering strategies to address their fears and concerns.

Read the fact sheet:

https://www.nctsn.org/sites/default/files/resources/factsheet/talking_to_kids_about_hate_crimes_anti-semitism_final.pdf

PJ Library – Talking to Children About Antisemitism

PJ Library offers resources and book recommendations to help parents discuss antisemitism with their children in an open and honest way.

Learn more: <https://pjlibrary.org/beyond-books/pjblog/february-2022/how-to-talk-to-children-about-anti-semitism>

NYS Teachers Union (NYSUT)

NYSUT is nearly 700,000 people who work in, or are retired from, New York's schools, colleges, and healthcare facilities and is a federation of more than 1,200 local unions, each representing its own members. NYSUT is affiliated with the American Federation of Teachers (AFT) and the National Education Association (NEA); it is also part of organized labor - the AFL-CIO - and of Education International, with more than 20 million members worldwide.

See: <https://www.nysut.org/about> and NEA Affiliate Info: <https://www.nea.org/nea-affiliates>

New York State School Boards Association (NYSSBA)

The New York State School Boards Association (NYSSBA) provides leadership to school boards for the purpose of fostering student success through advocacy, information and programs. Website:

<https://www.nyssba.org/index.php>

New York State Charter Schools Association

The New York Charter Schools Association works tirelessly to support and advocate for more than 300 public charter schools across our state. As a nonprofit membership organization serving as a unified voice for these schools, their leaders, and their students, NYSCSA represents the interests of New York's public charter schools at the state and local levels. Website: <https://nycharters.net/>