Vernon Safe School Climate Plan December 12, 2011

Component	Actions	Person(s) Responsible	Timeline
Safe School Climate Plan	 Develop Safe School Climate Plan in accordance with PA 11-232 Submit Safe School Climate Plan for Board approval Submit Board-approved Safe School Climate Plan to CSDE Publish Safe School Climate Plan on District Web Site and in the school district's publication of the rules, procedures and standards of conduct for schools and in all student handbooks 	Superintendent and Safe School Climate District Coordinator Safe School Climate District Coordinator Board of Education Safe School Climate District Coordinator Safe School Climate District	By January 1, 2012 By January 1, 2012 By January 1, 2012 By February 1, 2012
Safe School Climate Committee	 Appoint District Safe School Climate Coordinator Appoint Safe School Climate Specialist in each school Establish Safe School Climate Committee in accordance with PA 11-232, (include at least one parent/guardian of a student at the school) Establish roles, responsibilities and procedures for Safe School Climate Committee including: Receive copies of completed reports following investigations of bullying; Identify and address patterns of bullying among students in the school; Review and make recommendations to amend Vernon Board of Education Policy #5131.911 Hazing/Bullying/Cyberbullying (in revision December 2011) Review and make recommendations to the district 	Superintendent Principal Safe School Climate District Coordinator and Safe School Climate Specialists Safe School Climate Committee	By July 2012 By July 2012 By July 2012 By July 2012

Notification Requirements	safe school climate coordinator regarding the district's safe school climate plan based on issues and experiences specific to the school; • Educate students, school employees and parents and guardians of students on issues relating to bullying; • Collaborate with the district safe school climate coordinator in the collection of data regarding bullying, in accordance with the law; • Perform any other duties as determined by the school principal that are related to the prevention, identification and response to school bullying for the school. • Provide all school employees with a written or electronic copy of the school district's Safe School Climate Plan. • Notify students and the parents or guardians of students of the process by which students may make reports of bullying. • Provide students with notice of the definition of bullying, cyberbullying and the potential consequences of engaging in such acts by the inclusion of language in student codes of conduct concerning bullying. • Publish Safe School Climate Plan on the school	Safe School Climate District Coordinator Safe School Climate District Coordinator Safe School Climate District Coordinator and Specialist Safe School Climate District	By July 1, 2012 and annually By July 1, 2012 and annually By July 1, 2012 and annually By Feb 1, 2012 and
	Publish Safe School Climate Plan on the school district's Internet web site and ensure that such plan is included in the school district's publication of the rules, procedures and standards of conduct for schools and in all student handbooks.	Safe School Climate District Coordinator	By Feb 1, 2012 and annually
Reporting	Orally notify the Safe School Climate Specialist or	All school employees	Within one school
Procedures	school Administrator after being witness to acts of	_ ,	day after witnessing
	bullying or receiving reports of bullying		or receiving report
	File a written report with the Safe School Climate	All school employees	Within two school
	Specialist after being witness to acts of bullying or		days of oral

	receiving reports of bullying		notification
	 Any student who believes s/he has been the victim of 	All Students	Ongoing
	bullying/cyberbullying may report the matter to any		
	school employee, either in writing or anonymously.		
	Parent(s)/guardian(s) may file written reports of	All Parents	Ongoing
	Suspected bullying/cyberbullying.		D 1 1 1 2012
Investigation	Develop and disseminate investigation procedures that align with PA 11-232 and comply with FERPA	Safe School Climate Specialist	By July 1, 2012
	• Investigate all reports of bullying & ensure that the investigation is completed in accordance with PA 11-232.	Safe School Climate Specialist	Upon receipt of report
	Determine whether the alleged conduct occurred & whether such conduct constitutes bullying as defined in the district policy.	Safe School Climate Specialist	
Response to	Take prompt corrective action that is reasonably	Safe School Climate Specialist	Upon determination
Verified Acts	calculated to stop the bullying and prevent any		that bullying has
of Bullying	recurrence of such behavior, if it is determined that		occurred
	bullying has occurred.Notify the parents or guardians of students who commit	Safe School Climate Specialist	48 hours after the
	any verified acts of bullying and the parents or	Sure Sensor Chimate Specialist	completion of the
	guardians of students against whom such acts were		investigation
	directed not later than forty-eight hours after the		_
	completion of the investigation. This notification shall		
	include a description of the response of school		
	employees to such acts and any consequences that may		
	result from the commission of further acts of bullying	Safe School Climate Specialist	Upon determination
	• Invite the parent(s)/guardian(s) of students who engage in any verified acts of bullying after the completion of	Sale School Chillate Specialist	that bullying has
	the investigation to a meeting at which the following		occurred
	will be shared:		
	1. A description of the verified act(s).		
	2. A description of the school's interventions in		
	response to the act(s).		

	3. Any consequences that may result from the commission of any further acts of bullying.		
	• Invite the parent(s)/guardian(s) of any student against whom an act of bullying was verified after the completion of the investigation at which the following information will be shared:	Safe School Climate Specialist	Upon determination that bullying has occurred
	 A description of the verified act(s). A description of the school's interventions designed to keep the student safe & prevent any further acts of bullying. 		
	3. The content of the student safety support plan. <i>Except in rare circumstances, such meetings with parents</i>		
	 and guardians should be held separately. Develop a student safety support plan for any student 	Safe School Climate Specialist	Upon determination
	against whom an act of bullying was directed. The plan shall address safety measures the school will take to protect such students against further acts of bullying.	Sare sensor chimate specialist	that bullying has occurred
	Develop case-by-case interventions to address repeated incidents of bullying against a single individual or recurrently perpetrated bullying incidents by the same individual that may include both counseling and	Safe School Climate Specialist	Upon determination that bullying has occurred
	 discipline. Notify the appropriate local law enforcement agency when principal, or designee, believes that any acts of bullying constitute criminal conduct. 	Principal or designee	As appropriate
Prevention and Intervention	Identify effective evidence-based prevention and intervention strategies engraved by CSDE. Strategies	Safe School Climate Committee	By July 1, 2012
Strategy	intervention strategies approved by CSDE. Strategies may include, but are not limited to the following: Students will participate in an evidence-based approach, program or process approved by the 		By July 1, 2012
	State Department of Education that is designed to ensure a positive school climate & prevent bullying.		

	individual school-based School Climate Action Plans (Plans attached)	All School Employees	By July 1, 2012
Documentation and Record Keeping	o Document and maintain records relating to	Safe School Climate District Coordinator & Safe School Climate Specialists	By July 1, 2012

	 information about any student or information that might reasonably lead to the identification of any student. Report the number of verified acts of bullying in the district's schools to the Department of Education in such manner as prescribed by the Commissioner of Education 	Safe School Climate District Coordinator	Annually based on timeline established by CSDE
Assessment of School Climate	 Complete an assessment using the school climate assessment instruments, including surveys, approved and disseminated by the State Department of Education for each school Submit assessment results for each school in the district to the State Department of Education Review data obtained from climate surveys to make necessary modifications to the district plan and ongoing 	Safe School Climate Committee Safe School Climate Specialists Safe School Climate Committee	By July 1, 2012, and biennially thereafter, By July 1, 2012 and according to CSDE guidelines Annually
Training	 Provide all certified school employees training on the prevention, identification and response to bullying and the prevention of and response to youth suicide. The training will be provided to teachers, administrators and pupil personnel who hold the initial educator, provisional educator or professional educator certificate via in-service training. Provide all other school employees training provided 	Safe School Climate Specialists CSDE	By July 1, 2012 and annually thereafter Annually

Rockville High School 2011-2012

ACTION	HOW	WHEN	WITH WHOM
 Treasure Hunt – School Climate Survey Survey Presentations 	 School Leadership Team reviews treasure hunt from district team School Leadership Team will look at data from surveys Departments will do treasure hunts from the surveys Surveys presented to faculty/staff/parents 	 December 2011– February/March 2012 Spring of 2011 September 2011 	 School Leadership Team Department Teams Faculty Parents
Create School-wide goals based off district goals	 Leadership team will work to create goals/objectives/strategies/indica tors of success Presentation to the faculty at meeting 	October2011- December 2011	 School Leadership Team Departments Faculty/staff
CALI technical assistance with Vivian Batterson	 2 half-day professional learning opportunities Meeting with school leadership team/administration 	February/April 2012	• Faculty
Behavioral Screens	 Distributed to all freshman teachers 	• January 2012- June2012	 Freshman staff/students

Vernon Center Middle School 2011-2012

ACTION	HOW	WHEN	WITH WHOM
 Review of need for a School Climate Team 	PBS team meeting	• 8/23/11	 Classroom teachers, administration, School Guidance Counselor
 Creation of School Climate Team and goals 	 Review of the School Climate Survey Data- parents Analyzed for trends 	 9/28/11 and ongoing at School Climate Meetings and sharing at staff meetings 	School Climate Team, Certified Staff
School Climate Goal: Bully Prevention	 Trends-perception of school safety and respect Bullying survey-students results analyzed PBS Middle School Bully Prevention Curriculum taught for staff and students 	• 10/21/11 and ongoing	All teaching staff and students
 School Climate Goal: School transitions, behavior and safety 	Use of data for distributing SOAR cards, improve teacher supervision, PBS refresher days	 9/28/11 and Ongoing agenda item at school climate meetings 	School Climate Team Meetings
 School Climate Goal: Community perception and 	 Plan meet and Greets with parents (12/19/11); Family fun Nights 	 9/28/11 and Ongoing agenda item at school climate meetings 	Certified and noncertified staff

involvement		•	
 School Climate Goal: Build positive students/staff relationships 	 Family Fun Nights, Curriculum celebration events, Staff mentors 	 9/28/11 and ongoing; Staff meetings, grade- level meetings, other focus groups beginning January 2012 	Certified and noncertified staff
CALI technical assistance with Vivian Batterson	 Training/discussions 	Initial contact 11/11 , invite to 12/13/11 School Climate meeting	School Climate Team

School Climate Action Plan Center Road School 2011-2012

Action	How	When	With Whom
Treasure Hunt – School Climate Survey	 Disseminate student data from Spring 2011 survey Small groups identified 3-5 data points Review Treasure Hunt findings – discuss data Establish goals and actions 	 Staff meeting 12/14/11 Ongoing discussions Jan- June 2012 in staff meetings/para meetings and with school leadership team 	 Certified staff PreK-5 Paraprofessionals
Researching "Respect"	 Conduct staff survey around the topic of respect 	Make online survey available 11/28-12/2/11	 Certified and non- certified staff
CALI Technical Assistance with Vivian Batterson	Training/discussions	 January 9th – introductory meeting Follow –up TBD 	 School Leadership and PBIS Teams

Lake Street School 2011-2012

ACTION	HOW	WHEN	WITH WHOM
 School Climate Data Review 	 Share school climate powerpoint at staff meeting 	October 2011 staff meeting	Certified Staff
Establish LSS School Improvement Goal-Promote safe environments that are socially, emotionally, and physically conducive to learning	 To address survey results related to respectful relations among LSS students- Implement PBIS schoolwide during the 2011-12 school year Implement Responsive Classroom-"Morning Meetings" in each classroom Implement Monthly School Wide Morning Meetings-(Facilitated by our PRIDE Club Members) Provide opportunities for students from different grade levels to interact and learn together. 	 August 2011 staff meeting September 2011 Para meeting Ongoing training-PBIS agenda item at monthly staff meetings September 2011-June 2012 Retraining of school expectations as needed November 2011-June 2012 Classroom Morning Meetings- Daily-September 2011-June 2012- Monthly Morning Meetings-September 2011-June 2012 Monthly "Buddy Groups" 	 Certified staff Non-certified staff LSS Students LSS Parents(PBIS Brochure)

Implement Early Childhood School Climate Initiative- Screening of all Preschool Students for Risk Factors that Inhibit School Success	 Preschool Teacher/School Psychologist attend Early Childhood Initiative Training Sessions presented by Vivian Batterson Completion of Screening for Risk Factors on LSS preschool students Develop and implement interventions to address areas of need for identified students 	October 2011-June 2012	Preschool Teacher and School Psychologist
Establish a Safe School Climate Plan	 CALI technical assistance with Vivian Batterson- training/discussions 	 February 17, 2012(half-day PM) Other dates to follow 	LSS certified staff
Gather information from parents, staff and students around the topic of respect	 I will have conversations with parents, staff and students 	 Speak with parents, staff, students from 11/10-12/8 Survey Results June 2012 	 Speak with parents, staff and students

Maple Street School 2011-2012

ACTION	HOW	WHEN	WITH WHOM
 Behavior Screening for Risk Factors that Inhibit School Success 	 Classroom teachers complete a form for each student in his/her class. Rating sheets given to students' next year teachers 	• June 2011	Classroom teachers
Behavior Screening for Risk Factors that Inhibit School Success	 Classroom teachers complete form for each student in her/his class. Data sent to Judy Latonie's office for entry into data base 	 October/November 2011 Results back from Judy Latonie – November 2011 Review of data to begin November 2011 	Classroom teachersSupport staffPrincipal
Treasure Hunt – School Climate Survey	 Disseminated student data from 2011 spring survey Groups of staff each identified 3-5 data points Review Treasure Hunt findings – discuss data Establish goal and actions Share with noncertified staff 	 Staff meeting 11/16/11 Staff meeting 12/7/11 Leadership Team meetings – December 2011 Staff meetings – January-June 2012 Paraprofessional meeting Meeting with other staff 	 Certified staff PreK-5 Paraprofessionals Other staff – custodians, librarian, nurse, cafeteria staff
Teacher self- assessments	 Teachers complete Review at monthly meetings Disseminate information 	November 2011December 2011 – June 2012	Classroom teachersPrincipalSchool Psychologist

	about how to address specific areas of need		
Review Treasure Hunt findings	 Discuss data identified at 11/16/11 staff meeting 	• Staff meeting 12/7/11	Certified staff PreK-5
 Book Study – The Little Book of Restorative Discipline for Schools 	Book discussions	 Staff meetings, grade- level meetings, other focus groups beginning January 2012 	Certified and noncertified staff
CALI technical assistance with Vivian Batterson	Training/discussions	Planning meeting 11/29/11TBD	Certified and non- certified staff
 Coaching for individual teachers as needed 	2 staff members will assist with observations and consultations	 December 2011 – June 2012 	Self-identified staffStaff recommended by principal

Northeast School 2011-2012

ACTION	HOW	WHEN	WITH WHOM
Distribute respect questionnaires to all staff members.	 Place anonymous questionnaires in each staff member's mailbox. 	 Thursday, November 18th. 	 Certified staff PreK-5 Paraprofessionals Other staff – custodians, librarian, nurse, cafeteria staff
Provide every teacher with a copy of the school climate surveys that parents and students took last year.	 Make copies for every teacher and place in mailboxes. Have each teacher review the data and indentify three "interesting points" they want to share with the staff. 	 Wednesday, November 30th. 	• Certified staff PreK-5.
Review findings from the school climate surveys.	 Teachers will get into groups of 4 and share their "interesting points" with the group. Each group will then choose 3 key points to share with the entire staff. This information will help focus the conversation that I have with Vivian 	Staff meeting 12/7/11	Certified staff PreK-5

	Batterson.		
CALI technical assistance with Vivian Batterson	 Training/discussions 	• Tuesday, December 6 th .	• Principal
 CALI technical training by Vivian Batterson. Distribution on Restorative Discipline. 	 This information will be communicated during a scheduled meeting with paraprofessionals and staff. 	Wednesday, January 11 th from 3:30-5:30.	Certified Staff
Book Review – Restorative Discipline	 Monthly meetings with paraprofessionals 	Monthly basis	 Paraprofessionals

Skinner Road School 2011-2012

ACTION	HOW	WHEN	WITH WHOM
 Behavior Screening for Risk Factors that Inhibit School 	 Classroom teachers complete a form for one student in his/her class. 	November 2011	Classroom teachers
Success	 Classroom teachers complete form for all students in her class. 	January 2012	Classroom teachersSocial Worker/School Psychologist
Creation of Safe School Climate Committee	 PBIS Committee will evaluate points of legislation and need for committee Transition PBIS Committee into the "Safe School Climate Committee" 	 January 2012 January 2012 – June 2012 	 Certified and noncertified staff Parents on committee
School Climate Survey	 Disseminated student data from 2011 spring survey Groups of staff each will identify 3-5 data points Review Treasure Hunt findings – discuss data Establish goal and actions Share with noncertified staff 	 Staff meeting 11/16/11 (tier I for behavior in the classroom by Vivian Batterson) Staff meeting 12/7/11 Leadership Team meetings – November 2011-June 2012 Staff meetings – January-June 2012 Paraprofessional meeting 	 Certified staff PreK-5 Paraprofessionals Other staff – custodians, librarian, nurse, cafeteria staff

ACTION	HOW	WHEN	WITH WHOM
		Meeting with other staff	
Book Study – The Little Book of Restorative Discipline for Schools	Book discussions	 Staff meetings, grade- level meetings, other focus groups beginning January 2012 	 Certified and noncertified staff
CALI technical assistance with Vivian Batterson	 Training/discussions 	 November 16, 2011 meeting (tier I for behavior in the classroom) December 7, 2011 staff meeting TBD 	 Certified and non- certified staff
 Coaching for individual teachers as needed 	 2 staff members (social worker & school psychologist) will assist with observations and consultations 	• December 2011 – June 2012	Self-identified staffStaff recommended by principal
 Develop and implement function- based behavior interventions for students demonstrating 	 Consultation with PRIME project from UCONN 	• Fall 2011	Interested teachersSchool psychologistUCONN Staff

ACTION	HOW	WHEN	WITH WHOM
challenging behaviors in the classroom			
 Implement social/emotional lessons from "Second Step" or "Stop, Walk, Talk" in a more systematic manner in all classrooms 	 2 staff members (social worker & school psychologist) will assist with presenting options to classroom teachers 	Ongoing – June 2012	 Certified staff School psychologist School social worker