June 1, 2011

Mr. French,

In meeting HB 276 requirements, all bullying incidents are to be documented and publicized to the community. Bullying is rule #18 in the Madison Student Code of Conduct and is defined as:

A student shall not touch anyone in an unfriendly manner, nor verbally threaten, harass, or abuse any other person or behave in such a way that could cause or threaten to cause physical injury while under the jurisdiction of the school.

For purposes of this rule "bullying" is defined as a person willfully and repeatedly exercising power or control over another with hostile or malicious intent (i.e., repeated oppression, physical or psychological, of a less powerful individual by a more powerful individual or group). Bullying can be physical, verbal (oral or written), electronically transmitted, psychological (e.g., emotional abuse), through attacks on the property of another, or a combination of any of these.

During second semester of the 2010-2011 school year, there were 10 verified acts of harassment, intimidation and bullying.

The administration at Madison Elementary School is committed to creating a safe learning environment for all students and takes any harassment complaint seriously.

This information will be posted on the Madison website.

Respectfully,

Jason Jackson Assistant Principal Madison Elementary School