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**Commonwealth of Virginia  
Virginia Department of Education  
Superintendent's Memo #233-21**

DATE: August 20, 2021  
TO: Division Superintendents  
FROM: James F. Lane, Ed.D., Superintendent of Public Instruction  
SUBJECT: **2021-2022 Student Behavior and Administrative Response Collection**

To align the student conduct data collection with the [Model Guidance for Positive and Preventative Code of Student Conduct Policy and Alternatives to Suspension](#) and other required state reporting, the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) will be conducting the Student Behavior and Administrative Response Collection for the 2021-2022 school year. Data submitted must also comply with the following:

- *Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA)*
- *Regulations Establishing Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia* safety indicator for the School Quality Profile under [8VAC20-131-270](#). School and community communications
- Annual reporting of Alternative Education Programs in [§ 22.1-277.2:2](#). of the *Code of Virginia*
- *The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)* report on suspensions and expulsions of students with disabilities
- *Federal Gun-Free Schools Act*
- Federal Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP)

As per *Code of Virginia* [§ 22.1-279.6\(B\)](#), local school boards are required to adopt and revise regulations on codes of student conduct that "are consistent with, but may be more stringent than" the model guidelines established by the Board of Education (BOE).

The Student Behavior and Administrative Response collection (SBAR) is replacing the Discipline, Crime and Violence collection (DCV) beginning with the 2021-2022 school year. All events resulting in an administrative response are expected to be reported.

To assist school divisions with the changes, webinars will be scheduled for September with registration information to follow. The presubmission window will open October 4, 2021.

### For more information

Additional information regarding the 2021-2022 data elements of the SBAR collection can be found on the [Student Behavior and Administrative Response Collection](#) website.

Questions regarding the SBAR data collection should be directed to the Office of Data Services at [ResultsHelp@doe.virginia.gov](mailto:ResultsHelp@doe.virginia.gov).

For questions about the new student code of conduct, please contact Rebecca Kahila in the Office of Student Services at [Rebecca.Kahila@doe.virginia.gov](mailto:Rebecca.Kahila@doe.virginia.gov).

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