



Policy No. II-48

Halton Community Violence Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) Protocol	
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Procedures:	
II-39	In Schools
VI-44 Procedures, Discipline and Safety in Schools	

Purpose

This policy is intended to support the [Halton Community Violence Threat Risk Assessment \(VTRA\) Protocol](#). Specifically, this process is a multidisciplinary approach among Halton Regional Police Services (HRPS), Halton School Boards, and numerous Halton community partners committed to making Halton schools safe for students, staff, and visitors. This process is designed to identify students who exhibit behaviours that suggest that a student may be moving on a path towards violence against themselves or others. As such, intervention to decrease the risk, prevent injury, and support the student in receiving the risk behaviour(s) is implemented after consultation with the student, their family, and other professionals.

Application and Scope

This policy and the related procedures outlined in the [Halton Community VTRA Protocol](#) document applies to all staff in HCDSB. This policy applies to students in Halton schools that demonstrate high risk behaviours that may lead to compromising the safety of themselves, staff, students, and visitors. While VTRA's are initiated by the school Principal/designate in consultation with the Family of Schools Consultant and the Accepting Schools, there can be circumstances where the School Board may be involved.

References

[Education Act](#)

[Halton Community Violence Threat Risk Assessment \(VTRA\) Operating Guid - 2016](#)

[Ontario Human Rights Code](#)

[Police-School Board Protocol Halton Region \(2021\)](#)

