

**I. PURPOSE**

This policy establishes state compliant procedures regarding gang prevention and intervention at Athlos Academy of Utah.

**II. POLICY**

- A. School personnel shall report suspected gang activities relating to Athlos Academy of Utah and its students to a school administrator and law enforcement;
- B. A student who participates in gang activities may be excluded from participation in extracurricular activities as determined by the school administration after consultation with law enforcement;
- C. Gang-related graffiti or damage to school property shall result in parent/guardian notification and appropriate administrative and law enforcement actions;
- D. If a serious gang-related incident, as determined by the school administrator in consultation with local law enforcement, occurs on school property or at school-related activities, an *Incident Reporting Form* shall be completed and submitted to the front office for review by the Lead School Administrator and written notification shall be provided to all parent/guardians of students in the school:
  - 1. Informing them about the incident, but removing all personally identifiable information about students from the notice;
  - 2. Emphasizing the school's concern for safety; and
  - 3. Outlining the action taken at the school regarding the incident.
- E. School personnel shall be trained by community gang specialists or law enforcement as part of comprehensive strategies to recognize early warning signs for youth in trouble, and help students resist serious involvement in undesirable activity, including joining gangs or mimicking gang behavior.
- F. Prohibitions on the following behavior:
  - 1. Advocating or promoting a gang or any gang-related activities;
  - 2. Marking school property, books, or school work with gang names, slogans, or signs;
  - 3. Conducting gang initiations;

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4. Threatening another person with bodily injury or inflicting bodily injury on another in connection with a gang or gang-related activity;
  5. Displaying or wearing common gang apparel, common dress, or identifying signs or symbols on one's clothing, person, or personal property; and
  6. Communicating in any method, including verbal, non-verbal, and electronic means, designed to convey gang membership or affiliation.
- G. The gang prevention and intervention methods of Athlos Academy of Utah may include provisions that reflect the unique needs or circumstances of the school's region.
- H. Information regarding students and families related to gangs are subject to Athlos Academy Utah Student Directory Information Policy 5108, FERPA, and the Student Data Protection Stand Alone Document.

**Legal References:**

[Utah Code § 53A-15-603](#)

**Related Documents:**

[Incident Reporting Form](#)