

1 all school personnel deserve to be treated with courtesy and proper
2 deference.

3 (2) Responsibility for school safety. Helping to create a harmonious
4 school atmosphere that is free from threats, weapons, and violent or
5 disruptive behavior; cultivate an orderly learning environment in
6 which students and school personnel feel safe and secure; and
7 encourage the resolution of conflicts and disagreements through
8 peaceful means including peer mediation. Instruction in this
9 responsibility should include a consistent and age-appropriate
10 antiviolence message and a conflict resolution component for students
11 in kindergarten through twelfth grade. These messages should include
12 media-awareness education to help children recognize stereotypes and
13 messages portraying violence.

14 (3) Service to others. – Engaging in meaningful service to their schools
15 and their communities. Schools may teach service-learning by (i)
16 incorporating it into their standard curriculum, or (ii) involving a
17 classroom of students or some other group of students in one or more
18 hands-on community-service projects. All schools are encouraged to
19 provide opportunities for student involvement in community service or
20 service-learning projects.

21 (4) Good citizenship. – Obeying the laws of the nation and this State;
22 abiding by school rules; and understanding the rights and
23 responsibilities of a member of a republic.

24 (5) Social and emotional learning. – Learning social and emotional skills,
25 violence prevention skills, social competence, empathy training,
26 behavior skills, and anger management training."

27 **SECTION 3.(a)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
28 Department of Public Instruction the sum of one million seven hundred nineteen
29 thousand eight hundred ninety dollars (\$1,719,890) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year and
30 the sum of one million seven hundred nineteen thousand eight hundred ninety dollars
31 (\$1,719,890) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to implement this act with prekindergarten
32 and kindergarten children.

33 **SECTION 3.(b)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
34 Department of Public Instruction the sum of three million eight hundred twenty-two
35 thousand seven hundred thirty-four dollars (\$3,822,734) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to
36 implement this act with children in grades one through three.

37 **SECTION 3.(c)** It is the intent of the General Assembly to appropriate funds
38 for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to expand the program to grades four through five.

39 **SECTION 4.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.