

LETTERHEAD

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DUTY TO WARN NOTIFICATION

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[PROVIDE A DETAILED ACCOUNT OF THE CONVERSATION WITH THE STUDENT]

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Florida Center for Children and Family Development (941) 371-8820
Jewish Family & Children's Service of Sarasota-Manatee (941) 366-2224

In case of emergency, you may contact the local police department or dial 911. The following agency provides crisis stabilization services (at the parents'/guardians' expense).

Bayside Center for Behavioral Health at
Sarasota Memorial Hospital
(941) 917-7760

Coastal Behavioral Health Centers
Crisis Stabilization Unit
(941) 364-9355

Please contact me at the phone number below for additional information or if you have any questions.

School Contact
Title
Phone Number

ABC Middle School
Sarasota, Florida

January 26, 2006

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On January 19th, your daughter, Jane Doe, stated that she wanted to cause harm to herself. More specifically, Jane wrote in her journal that she wanted to die (See attached copy). Jane met with the guidance counselor, Ms. Jones, to discuss the journal entry. Upon further discussion with Jane about how she planned to harm herself, Jane stated that she didn't know how she was going to hurt herself. Jane also stated that she was angry towards her friends for calling her names and she really did not want to hurt herself. When asked if Jane had tried hurting herself in the past, she stated that when she gets angry she sometimes scratches her arm with her fingernails.

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