

Nova Scotia Public Education System

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1 OVERVIEW

Teachers can create incident referrals for the students they teach in PowerTeacher and in PowerSchool (PS) Admin; and to create a referral for students they do not teach, they can access these students in PowerSchool Admin. The process to create a new referral is the same, how you get to the screen though is different.

Teachers can only view incident referrals that they have created, and will not be able to view incident referrals submitted by other staff, teachers, and administrators.

PS Admin and PowerTeacher will automatically notify the school's administrator(s) after submitting an unacceptable student behaviour incident.

Additionally, an automated email notification will be sent to you once an action/consequence has been taken.

2 ACCESSING INCIDENTS AND ADDING A NEW REFERRAL IN POWERTEACHER

- 1. Log into PowerTeacher.
- 2. Click on the student information icon for the class in which the student is enrolled.
- 3. Click the last name of the student.
- 4. From the Select Screens option, select Unacceptable Behaviour Incident.
- 5. <u>To view an existing incident</u>: click on the **Record ID** to open a specific incident for review.

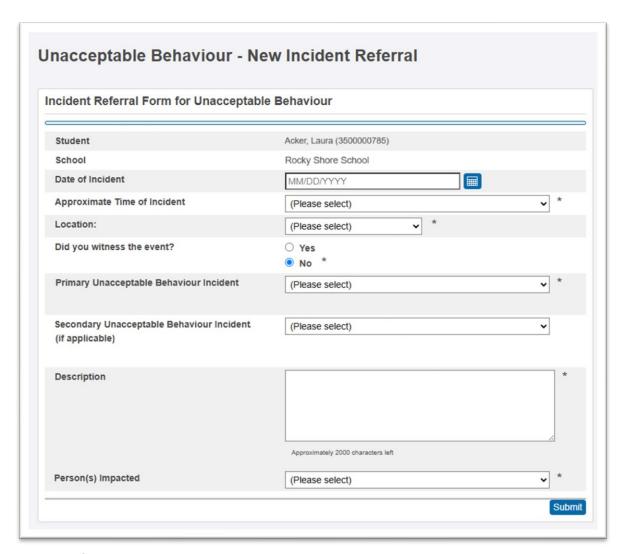




6. To add a new incident: select New.



7. Add the required data into the Incident Referral Form for Unacceptable Behaviour.



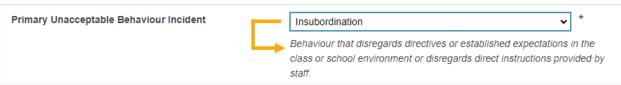
- Date of Incident: Click on the calendar icon to select the date the incident occurred.
- Approximate Time of Incident: From the dropdown menu, select the time of day the incident occurred.
- Location: Select the location where the incident took place. When choosing "Classroom", "Gym", or "Lab" as the location, an additional required field appears asking if an evacuation of the location was required.
- **Did you witness the event**: Indicate if you, as the person reporting the incident, witnessed the event.
- **Primary Unacceptable Behaviour Incident:** From the dropdown list select the type of Primary Unacceptable Behaviour being reported. Only one incident can be selected as the primary



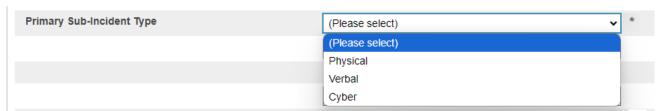
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incident. **NOTE**: when you select an unacceptable behaviour, there is a brief description of the selected behaviour under the box.



Some incidents, when selected, will display a required **Primary Sub-Incident Type** dropdown. For example, if selecting **Bullying** as the primary incident, the following dropdown appears below the Bullying description.



- Secondary Unacceptable Behaviour Incident: If applicable, select the type of Secondary
 Unacceptable behaviour being reported. Only one incident can be selected as the secondary
 incident. Depending on the incident selected, you will need to complete the Secondary SubIncident Type.
- **Description:** Describe the incident, providing factual information only.
- Person(s) Impacted: Select the incident target from the dropdown list.
 When selecting "Student" as the incident target, an "Add" button will appear allowing you to add any impacted students.
 - Note: Only add students who are directly impacted.



8. Click Submit.

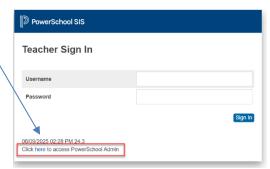
Once the incident has been submitted, it is viewable but not editable by the teacher. If the teacher wishes to edit the incident, s/he must see the school administrator.



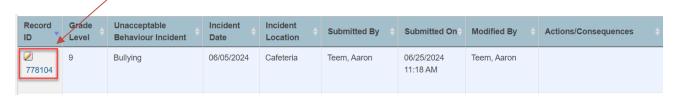
3 Accessing Incidents and Adding a New Referral In PowerSchool Admin

 Log into PS Admin. Use the quick link on the PowerTeacher login page to easily switch to the PS Admin login page.

Note: If you do not have login credentials for PS Admin, see your school administrator. (PowerTeacher login credentials will not work for PS Admin).



- 2. Do a search for and select the student in PowerSchool.
- Under the Incidents and Log Entries menu, click on Incident Tracking.
- 4. <u>To view an existing incident</u>: click on <u>Incident Referrals for Unaccepable Behaviours</u>, then click on the **pencil icon** or **Record ID** to open a specific incident for review.



- To add a new incident: click on Incident Referrals for Unaccepable Behaviours, then select Add New Unacceptable Behaviour Incident.
- 6. To add a new incident, follow steps 7 and 8 outlined in Section 2.

Once the incident has been submitted, it is viewable but not editable by the teacher. If the teacher wishes to edit the incident, s/he must see the school administrator.

