SCHOOL THREAT ASSESSMENT DECISION TREE

**EVALUATE THE THREAT**

Investigate and complete interviews

Is there intent to harm?

- **NO**
  - Not a threat. Might be an expression of anger that merits attention.

- **YES**

  **ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE THE THREAT AS TRANSIENT**

  Key observations form

  Is it easily resolved, the threat is retracted, an explanation and/or apology is given?

  - **YES**
    - Case resolved as transient; add services as needed.
  
  - **NO (THREAT NOT RESOLVED)**

    **RESPOND TO SUBSTANTIVE THREAT**

    Take precautions to protect & Warn potential victims.

    Look for ways to resolve conflict.

    Discipline student, when appropriate.

    - **SERIOUS**
      - Serious means a threat to hit, fight, or beat up.
      - Case resolved as serious substantive; add services as needed.

    - **VERY SERIOUS**
      - A threat to kill, sexually assault or cause very serious injury with a weapon, or multiple serious substantive threats

      **CONDUCT SAFETY EVALUATION**

      Student briefly placed elsewhere/suspended pending evaluation

      Mental health screening/counseling; refer as needed.

      Possible Law enforcement investigation

      Develop safety plan with your team

      Consider need for BIP, FBA, further testing or manifestation meeting.

- **IMPLEMENT AND MONITOR THE SAFETY PLAN**

  Document the plan.

  Maintain contact with the student.

  Monitor whether plan is working and revise as needed.