



Mental Health Evaluation Team (MHET)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

1. How do we access MHET?

In accordance with BUL-2637 and BUL-5799, the student has been identified as high risk. Call the Los Angeles School Police Department (LASPD) Dispatch at (213) 625-6631 and request a MHET unit.

2. What hours is MHET available?

MHET is available from 8:00am-4:30pm. If a call comes in after 4:30pm a patrol unit will respond and assess.

3. Does MHET replace PMRT?

No, MHET is an additional resource and option when addressing a suicidal/homicidal student or employee.

4. Should I call both MHET and PMRT and see who gets there faster?

No, calling both entities depletes resources to other schools and city requests. Decide which resource you want to call, then see that response through.

5. Who calls the parents/guardian to notify them when their child is being transported?

In accordance with BUL-2637 and BUL-5799, parent/guardian is part of the assessment process therefore in most circumstances the parent has already been in contact with the school site. MHET responders will work with the school site crisis team members to contact parent/guardian regarding the next steps.

6. Do you handcuff when you transport a student?

Handcuffing is at the discretion of the MHET Police Officer.

7. What is MHET's response time?

The response time is dependent on where the next available MHET unit is coming from throughout the District.

8. Will MHET respond to parents in crisis?

MHET is primarily intended for support with students and staff but there may be instances where a response to a parent would be warranted.

9. Can I schedule a MHET training at my school site or office?

MHET administrators are available to conduct trainings. It is recommended that the trainings are for those members on the crisis team.

10. Can MHET be called for consultation?

If mental health consultation is needed call the Student and Family Wellness Resource Line at (213) 241-3840, Option 2.