

# Texas High School Basketball Officials Association



## Officials Abuse Policy

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In order to counter the increasing verbal and physical abuse of basketball officials at middle school, junior high and high school contests, THSBOA adopts the following guidelines:

If at any point during a school year, a school has a minimum of three (3) submitted incident reports alleging verbal abuse, physical abuse or threats of physical violence against THSBOA officials by players, coaches or spectators then THSBOA will proceed as follows:

- Every filed incident report will be reviewed by THSBOA Executive Committee
- If a majority of THSBOA Executive Committee agrees that the three (3) incident reports demonstrate a school culture that is not safe for THSBOA officials, then the THSBOA Executive Committee will notify the THSBOA Executive Director of their finding.
- The Executive Director of THSBOA will notify the alleged school and school district of the finding. Said school will have seven (7) school days to submit a written plan detailing how the school will address the problems. The Executive Director of THSBOA may make recommendations to the school.
- If the school cannot address the problems to the satisfaction of THSBOA Executive Committee, then said school may be notified that THSBOA will no longer provide officials for their home games.