Dawson County Board Policy on Bullying

Bully is defined as follows: An act which occurs on school property, on school vehicles, at school bus stops, or at school related functions or activities, or by use of data or software that is accessed through a computer, computer system, computer network, or other electronic technology of a local school system that is:

- 1. Any willful attempt or threat to inflict injury on another person, when accompanied by an apparent present ability to do so;
- 2. Any intentional display of force such as would give the victim reason to fear or expect immediate bodily harm; or
- 3. Any intentional written, verbal, or physical act, which a reasonable person would perceive as being intended to threaten, harass, or intimidate, that:
 - A. Causes another person substantial physical harm within the meaning of Code Section 16-5-23.1 or visible bodily harm as such term is defined in Code Section 16-5-23.1;
 - B. Has the effect of substantially interfering with a student's education;
 - C. Is so severe, persistent, or pervasive that it creates an intimidating or threatening educational environment; or
 - D. Has the effect of substantially disrupting the orderly operation of the school.