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School-Related Gender

School-related gender-based violence (SRGBV) is defined as acts, threats of sexual, physical or psychological violence occurring in and around schools and educational settings as a result of gender inequality and unequal power dynamics between genders. It includes acts of bullying, sexual or verbal harassment, physical violence, corporal punishment, non-consensual touching, rape and assault and structural violence amongst others.

[Leadership and joint action to eliminate school-related gender violence: International Partners Meeting Report](#), p. 2.

Gender-based violence (GBV) is a serious violation of human rights, increases vulnerability to HIV and has a negative impact on school attendance and the ability to receive a quality education. School-related gender-based violence (SRGBV) can occur in the classroom, in both school facilities, on the journey to and from school. It can occur between pupils, and between pupils and edu