

STUDENT INTERVIEWS WITH OUTSIDE AGENCY PERSONNEL

The School Board recognizes that cooperation with law enforcement agencies is necessary for the education and protection of the students, for maintaining a safe school environment and for safeguarding all school property. At the same time, the Board recognizes the need to minimize disruptions in the educational process and to provide for concerns of parents/guardians regarding the welfare of their children.

Law enforcement and other agency officials who are called to the school for assistance shall be permitted to interview students as necessary for the situation. Law enforcement or other agency-initiated interviews with students shall be permitted under conditions established by the building principal and consistent with legal requirements.

Outside agency personnel shall conduct their business with students at a time other than normal school hours to the extent possible. When it is necessary to interview students on school premises, the interview shall be conducted in such a way so as to minimize interruptions in the learning environment.

Whenever possible, a school staff member shall be present during a student interview with outside agency personnel.

As permitted by law, parents/guardians of students who are not suspects in a specific violation shall be contacted when an interview takes place with outside agency personnel.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 48.19 Wisconsin Statutes
48.981(3) (b) and (c)
51.15
118.125
118.127
120.13(1)
938.396
946.40
946.41

Wisconsin Attorney General Opinions (79 OAG 49 – 1990 and 81 OAG 126,
132-33 – 1994)

CROSS REF.: EB, Safety Program
JO-R, Guidelines for the Maintenance and Confidentiality of Student Records
JFGB, Search of School Property (Lockers and Desks)
JFGC, Search of Students and/or Their Belongings
JHG, Reporting Child Abuse/Neglect

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