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#### 4162 - CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE AND ALCOHOL POLICY FOR EMPLOYEES THAT TRANSPORT STUDENTS

#### Purpose

The Board of Education believes that the safety of students while being transported to and from school or school activities is of utmost importance and is the primary responsibility of the driver of the school vehicle. To fulfill such a responsibility, each driver, as well as others who perform safety-sensitive functions with District vehicles, must be mentally and physically alert at all times while on duty. In addition, the Board recognizes that a drug-free and alcohol-free school and work environment is vital to workplace and school safety and to the quality of the District's educational services.

To that end, the Board has established this policy, which includes an alcohol and controlled substances testing program. The Board expects all Drivers to comply with Board Policy 4122.01 - Drug-Free Workplace which prohibits the possession, use, sale, or distribution of alcohol and any controlled substance on school property at all times.

Further, the Board concurs with the Federal requirement that all Drivers should be free of any influence of alcohol or controlled substance while on duty. Therefore, participation in the alcohol and controlled substances testing program is a condition of employment for all Drivers.

# **Covered Employees**

This policy covers all commercial driver's license (CDL) holders and regular and substitute bus drivers who operate a commercial motor vehicle while on duty. The policy also applies to other staff members who drive students in District vehicles or inspect, service, or condition District vehicles. The District views these as "safety sensitive" functions.

#### **Definitions**

For purposes of this policy and the guidelines associated with the policy, the following definitions shall apply:

- A. The term **alcohol** means the intoxicating agent in beverage alcohol, ethyl alcohol or other low molecular weight alcohols, including methyl or isopropyl alcohol. This term is a volume breath expressed in terms of grams of alcohol per 210 liters of breath as indicated by an evidential breath test as described herein.
- B. The term *controlled substance* includes any illegal drug, the possession or use of which is unlawful pursuant to Federal, State and local laws and regulations, and any drug that is being used illegally, such as a prescription drug that was not legally obtained or not used for its intended purposes or in its prescribed quantity. The term does not include any legally-obtained prescription drug used for its intended purpose in its prescribed quantity unless such use would impair the individual's ability to safely perform safety-sensitive functions. This term includes, but is not limited to, marijuana metabolites, cocaine metabolites, amphetamines, opiate metabolites, phencyclidine (PCP).
- C. The term **controlled substance abuse** includes excessive use of alcohol as well as prescribed drugs not being used for prescribed purposes, in a prescribed manner, or in the prescribed quantity.
- D. The term **safety-sensitive functions** includes waiting to be dispatched, inspecting equipment, servicing, driving, loading or unloading District vehicles, as well as repairing, obtaining assistance, or remaining in attendance upon a disabled District vehicle. This term further includes any period in which an individual is actually performing, ready to perform, or immediately available to perform any safety-sensitive function.

E. The term **Driver** means all CDL holders and regular and substitute bus drivers who operate a commercial motor vehicle while on duty, as well as other staff members who may drive students in District vehicles or inspect, service, and condition District vehicles.

F. The term **while on duty** means all time from the time the Driver begins to work or is required to be in readiness for work until the time s/he is relieved from work and all responsibility for performing work.

#### **Procedures**

The District Administrator shall establish a drug and alcohol testing program whereby each driver is tested for the presence of alcohol in his/her system as well as for the presence of the following controlled substances:

- A. Marijuana
- B. Cocaine
- C. Opiates
- D. Amphetamines
- E. Phencyclidine (PCP)

The alcohol and controlled substances tests are to be conducted in accordance with Federal and State regulations:

- A. prior to employment (Controlled Substances only);
- B. reasonable suspicion;
- C. upon return to duty after any alcohol or drug rehabilitation;
- D. after any accident;
- E. on a random basis; and
- F. on a follow-up basis.

Any staff member who tests positive as defined in the guidelines shall be subject to discipline, up to and including discharge, in accordance with District guidelines.

No staff member who has tested positive for alcohol or a controlled substance may be returned to a safety sensitive position without having been evaluated by a qualified substance abuse professional (SAP), completed any required treatment program, and passed a retest.

Prior to the beginning of the testing program, the District shall provide training for all employees, including Drivers and their supervisors about:

- A. the dangers and adverse effects of drug and alcohol use;
- B. indicators of probable alcohol misuse and controlled substance abuse;
- C. the sanctions that may be imposed for violations of Policy 4122.01.

The District Administrator shall arrange for periodic retraining of supervisors and staff members as necessary. The District Administrator shall provide a copy of this policy and testing guidelines to all Drivers and will include available resources to assist employees with problems related to the use of alcohol and controlled substances.

The District Administrator shall submit, for Board approval, a contract with a certified laboratory to provide the following services:

A. testing of all first and second test urine samples

- B. clear and consistent communication with the District's Medical Review Officer (MRO)
- C. methodology and procedures for conducting random tests for controlled substances and alcohol
- D. preparation and submission of all required reports to the District, the MRO, and to Federal and State governments

The District Administrator shall also select the agency or persons who will conduct the alcohol breathalyzer tests, the District's MRO, and the drug collection site(s) in accordance with the requirements of the law.

# Return-to-Duty (Safety Sensitive Positions)

Employees who are removed from performing safety-sensitive functions as a result of this policy must take and pass a return-to-duty test before returning to performing safety-sensitive functions. The return-to-duty test will not occur until after a Substance Abuse Professional (SAP) has determined that the employee has successfully complied with prescribed education and/or treatment. The employee must have a negative drug test result and/or an alcohol test with an alcohol concentration of less than 0.02 before resuming performance of safety-sensitive duties.

Subject to any legal requirements, employees who are eligible to return to performing safety-sensitive functions may not do so without the approval of the District Administrator.

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#### **4230 - CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

The proper performance of school business is dependent upon the maintenance of unusually high standards of honesty, integrity, impartiality, and professional conduct by Board members, and District's employees, officers and agents is essential to the Board's commitment to earn and keep public confidence in the School District.

For these reasons, the Board of Education adopts the following guidelines to assure that conflicts of interest do not occur. These guidelines apply to all District employees, officers and agents, including members of the Board. These guidelines are not intended to be all inclusive, nor to substitute for good judgment on the part of all support employees, officers and agents. Support employees are expected to perform their duties in a manner free from conflict of interest consistent with 19.59, Wis. Stats.

- A. No support employee, officer or agent shall engage in or have financial or other interest, directly or indirectly, in any activity that conflicts or raises a reasonable question of conflict with his/her duties and responsibilities in the school system.
- B. Support employees, officers and agents shall not engage in business, private practice of their profession, the rendering of services, or the sale of goods of any type where advantage is taken of any professional relationship they may have with any student, client, or parents of such students or clients in the course of their employment or professional relationship with the School District.

Included, by way of illustration, rather than limitation are the following:

- 1. the provision of any private lessons or services for a fee<u>unless the provision of services is arranged outside of school</u> and is separate from and in addition to regular support provided to students as part of the staff member's regular duties or the service is not provided to students enrolled in one or more class in which the staff member is an aide.
- 2. soliciting on school premises or under circumstances which are coercive for the private sale of goods or services to students or other employees
- the use, sale, or improper divulging of any privileged information about a student or client granted in the course of the employee's, officer's or agent's employment or professional relationship with the School District through his/her access to School District records
- 4. the referral of any student or client for lessons or services to any private business or professional practitioner if there is any expectation of reciprocal referrals, sharing of fees, or other remuneration for such referrals
- 5. the requirement of students or clients to purchase any private goods or services provided by an employee, officer or agent or any business or professional practitioner with whom any employee, officer or agent has a financial or other relationship, as a condition of receiving any grades, credits, promotions, approvals, or recommendations
- C. Should exceptions to this policy be necessary in order to provide mandatory services to students or clients of the School District, all such exceptions will be made known to the employee's supervisor and will be disclosed to the District Administrator **before** entering into any private relationship.
- D. Support employees shall not make use of materials, equipment, or facilities of the School District for their own personal financial gain or business interest. Examples would be the use of facilities before, during, or after regular business hours for service to private practice clients, or the checking out of items from an instructional materials center for private practice.

E. Support employees, officers and agents shall not participate in the selection, award and administration of any contract to an entity in which they have a pecuniary interest or from which they derive a profit or in which a dependent of the employee has a pecuniary interest or from which the dependent derives a profit. "Dependent" includes the employee's spouse; unemancipated child, stepchild or adopted child under the age of eighteen (18); or individual for whom the employee provides more than one-half (1/2) of the individual's support during a year. A "pecuniary interest" means an interest in a contract or purchase that will result or is intended to result in an ascertainable increase in the income or net worth of the employee or the employee's dependent who is under the direct or indirect administrative control of the professional employee or who receives a contract or purchase order that is reviewed, approved, or directly or indirectly administered by the employee.

Support employees, officers and agents cannot solicit or accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from contractors or parties to subcontracts.

However, pursuant to Federal rules, the School District has set standards for when an employee, officer or agent may accept a gift of an unsolicited item of nominal value. For purposes of this section, "nominal value" means that the gift has a monetary value of \$25.00 or less.

- F. To the extent that the School District has a parent, affiliate or subsidiary organization, including any charter school authorized by the Board regardless of whether it is an instrumentality of the District or not, that is not a State, local government or Indian tribe, the School District may not conduct a procurement action involving the parent, affiliate or subsidiary organization if the School District is unable, or appears to be unable, to be impartial.
- G. Support employees, officers and agents must disclose any potential conflict of interest which may lead to a violation of this policy to the School District. Upon discovery of any potential conflict of interest, the School District will disclose, in writing, the potential conflict of interest to the appropriate Federal awarding agency or, if applicable, the pass-through entity.

The District will also disclose, in a timely manner, all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery or gratuity that affect a Federal award to the appropriate Federal awarding agency or, if applicable, the pass- through entity.

H. Support employees, officers and agents found to be in violation of this conflict of interest policy will be subject to disciplinary action.

In the event that, within the course of administering a Federally funded grant program or service to the District, any employee that identifies a conflict of interest, a potential conflict of interest, or that the appearance of a conflict of interest may arise in the course of administering the Federal grant funds, the employee must immediately notify either the Federal agency administering the grant in a manner consistent with that particular agencies rules on conflict of interests, or the District employee directly responsible for grant compliance. Such notice shall be provided at the earliest possible time.

It is a violation of this policy to take action or to refrain from taking action, or for an employee to otherwise use his/her public position to obtain a financial gain or anything of substantial value for himself/herself or his/her immediate family.

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2 C.F.R. 200.12, 2 C.F.R. 200.318

7 C.F.R. 3016.36(b)(3) and 7 C.F.R. 3019.42

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#### Introduction

In accordance with Federal and State law, the Board of Education will provide family and medical leave to support staff. The Board's Family and Medical Leave Act policy is intended to conform to and comply with, but not exceed, the requirements of the Federal Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 ("FMLA") and the Wisconsin Family and Medical Leave Act ("WFMLA"). To the extent that this policy is ambiguous or conflicts with the FMLA or the WFMLA, the FMLA and the WFMLA will govern.

Family and medical leave taken under this policy may be covered by Federal law, State law, or both. When leave taken by a staff member under this policy is governed by both Federal and State law, the more generous provision will control in the event of a conflict. However, when leaves are governed by State or Federal law, but not both, the applicable law will control under this policy. In this regard, staff membersyou should note that certain leaves may be covered by both State and Federal law for only a portion of the leave. To the extent permitted by law, leave under the FMLA, leave under the WFMLA and leave granted under the Board's other policies will run concurrently (at the same time).

# **Eligibility Requirements**

To be eligible for leave under the FMLA, a staff memberyou must have been employed by the Board for at least twelve (12) months in the past seven (7) years <u>and</u> must have worked at least 1,250 hours during the twelve (12) month period immediately preceding the commencement of the requested leave. All full-time instructional staff members are deemed to meet the 1,250 hour requirement.

To be eligible for leave under the WFMLA, a staff memberyou must have been employed for more than fifty-two (52) consecutive weeks and have worked or been paid for at least 1,000 hours in the preceding fifty-two (52) weeks. The kind and amount of leave available to the staff memberyou under this policy, as well as the staff member'syour rights during leave, depend upon whether the staff member satisfiesyou satisfy the above requirements.

## Qualifying Reasons for Leave

The Board provides family and medical leave for eligible staff members under the following circumstances:

- A. for the birth of the eligible staff member's child and to care for a newborn child
- B. for placement with the eligible staff member of a child for adoption or foster care
- C. to care for an eligible staff member's spouse, child or parent with a "serious health condition"

The term "child" generally includes a legal ward or a biological, adopted foster or stepchild. For leaves governed exclusively by the FMLA, the term also includes a son or daughter for whom the staff member hasyou have assumed the day-to- day obligations of a parent. A child must be <u>either</u> under eighteen (18) years of age or unable to care for himself/herself due to a physical or mental disability or, for leave under State law only, unable to care for himself/herself due to a serious health condition.

"Parent" includes a staff member's spouse's legal guardian only if the staff member isyou are requesting leave under the WFMLA.

"Spouse" includes a qualified domestic partner for leaves governed by the WFMLA. Domestic partnerships must be registered with the county of residence and proof of such registration may be requested prior to approval of leave. Unregistered domestic partners must demonstrate that they are 1) both over age eighteen (18); 2) not in a domestic partnership or marriage with another individual; 3) they share a common residence; 4) they are not related in any way that would prohibit marriage under Wisconsin law; 5) they consider each other to be immediate family members and agree to be responsible for the other's living expense.

- D. because of a serious health condition that makes the eligible staff member unable to perform the essential functions of his/her position
- E. because of a qualifying exigency resulting from active military service by the employee's spouse, son, daughter, or parent in covered active duty or call to covered active duty in the United States Armed Forces including the National Guard and Reserves

Qualifying exigencies, as defined by Federal regulations, include: 1) short- notice deployment; 2) military events and related activities; 3) childcare and school activities; 4) financial and legal arrangements; 5) counseling; 6) rest and recuperation; (maximum fifteen (15) calendar days); 7) post- deployment activities; 8) caring for a military member's parent who is incapable of self-care when the care is necessitated by the member's covered active duty; and 9) additional activities not encompassed in the other categories, but agreed to by the employer and employee. Covered active duty means deployment with the Armed Forces to a foreign country.

F. to care for a service member who is the employee's parent, spouse, child or next of kin who, while on active military duty, sustains a serious injury or illness or aggravation of a pre-existing illness or injury while in the line of duty, while on covered active duty in the United States Armed Forces, including the National Guard and Reserves, which renders the service member medically unfit to perform the member's office, grade, rank, or rating

Covered active duty means deployment with the Armed Forces to a foreign country. This leave is also available to care for veterans of the United States Armed Forces, including the National Guard and Reserves, provided the veteran was a service member at any time within the five (5) years prior to the start of the treatment, recuperation or therapy. In accordance with applicable regulations, a veteran's serious injury or illness incurred or aggravated in the line of active duty can also be manifested by: 1) a physical or mental condition with a VA Service Disability Rating of 50% or greater and is the condition precipitating the need for leave; or 2) a physical or mental condition that substantially impairs the ability to secure or substantially follow a gainful occupation, or would do so absent treatment; or 3) an injury, including psychological, for which the veteran has been enrolled in the Dept. of V.A. Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Care Givers. Leave is available for up to twenty-six (26) weeks in a twelve (12) month period. This type of leave is available for serious injury or illness which results in:

- 1. inpatient medical treatment, recuperation or therapy;
- 2. outpatient services at a military treatment facility or assignment to a unit established for the purpose of providing command and control of service members receiving outpatient medical services; or
- 3. assignment to the temporary disability retired list.

The maximum twenty-six (26) weeks of Federal leave to care for a service member includes, and is not in addition to, all other FMLA leave. In other words, employees may not take more than a total of twenty-six (26) weeks of FMLA leave during a single twelve (12) month period for any qualifying reasons under the FMLA. For instance, if an employee takes the maximum twelve (12) weeks of Federal FMLA leave for his/her own serious health condition, the employee may then only take fourteen (14) weeks of FMLA leave within that same twelve (12) month period to care for a military family member injured in the line of duty.

The District Administrator will determine whether an employee's request for leave qualifies under one (1) of the above categories.

#### Amount of Leave Available

Under the FMLA, if the staff member satisfies the eligibility requirements set forth above, s/he is entitled to a total of twelve (12) work weeks of leave in a calendar year from the date of any employee's first FMLA usage for any of the reasons stated above, with the exception of leave to care for an injured service member, which is provided as described in (F) above.

Under the WFMLA, if the staff member satisfies the eligibility requirements set forth above, s/he is entitled to ten (10) work weeks of leave in a <u>calendar year</u>as follows:

- A. a total of six (6) weeks of leave for the birth of his/her natural child and/or the placement of a child with the staff member for, or as a precondition to, adoption;
- B. a total of two (2) weeks of leave to care for a covered family member with a serious health condition; and https://www.boarddocs.com/wi/thawk/Board.nsf/Private?open&login&policynewsid=APGNH95D5179#

C. a total of two (2) weeks of leave due to the staff member's serious health condition.

Board policy calls for concurrent Federal/State leave coverage whenever a staff member is eligible for leave under both the FMLA and WFMLA to the extent available under the law. All periods of absence from work due to or necessitated by USERRA-covered service is counted in determining an employee's eligibility for FMLA leave.

## Definitions of Serious Health Conditions

In conjunction with the certification provided by a healthcare provider, the Board reserves the right to determine whether an illness, injury, impairment or physical or mental condition constitutes a serious health condition entitling a staff member to family or medical leave under State or Federal law.

In general, a "serious health condition" under this policy means an illness, injury, impairment, or physical or mental condition that involves one (1) of the following:

## A. Hospital Care

Inpatient care (i.e., an overnight stay) in a hospital or other care facility, including any period of incapacity or subsequent treatment in connection with or consequent to such inpatient care.

## B. Absence Plus Treatment

A period of incapacity of more than three (3) consecutive calendar days\* (including any subsequent treatment or period of incapacity relating to the same condition), that also involves:

- 1. treatment two (2) or more times by a healthcare provider, a nurse, physician's assistant or physical therapist under a healthcare provider's supervision, order or referral as appropriate within thirty (30) days of the first date of incapacity; or
- 2. treatment by a healthcare provider on at least one (1) occasion which results in a regimen of continuing treatment under the supervision of the healthcare provider and occurs within seven (7) days of the first day of incapacity.

\*Under the WFMLA, leave may also be available for a "serious health condition" of less than three (3) consecutive days in duration.

# C. Pregnancy

Any period of incapacity due to pregnancy, or for prenatal care.

#### D. Chronic Conditions Requiring Treatment

A chronic condition which:

- 1. requires periodic visits of at least two (2) times per year for treatment by a healthcare provider, or by a nurse or physician's assistant under a healthcare provider's supervision;
- 2. continues over an extended period of time (including recurring episodes of a single underlying condition); and
- 3. may cause episodic rather than continuing periods of incapacity (e.g., asthma, diabetes, epilepsy, etc.).

# E. Permanent/Long-Term Conditions Requiring Supervision

A period of incapacity which is permanent or long-term due to a condition for which treatment may not be effective. The staff memberYou or his/heryour family member must be under the continuing supervision of, but need not be receiving active treatment by, a healthcare provider (e.g., Alzheimer's disease, a severe stroke, or the terminal stages of a disease). The continued existence of such a chronic condition is subject to certification no more than once every six (6) months.

# F. Multiple Treatments (Non-Chronic Conditions)

Any period of absence to receive multiple treatments (including any period of recovery therefrom) by a healthcare provider or by a provider of healthcare services under orders of, or on referral by, a healthcare provider, either for restorative surgery after an accident or other injury, or for a condition that would likely result in a period of incapacity of more than three (3)

consecutive calendar days in the absence of medical intervention or treatment, including: cancer (chemotherapy, radiation, etc.); severe arthritis (physical therapy); or kidney disease (dialysis).

## **Required Staff Member Notice**

The staff member must provide the District Administrator with notice in a reasonable and practicable manner before leave taken under this policy is to begin, if the need for leave is foreseeable (e.g., an expected birth, placement or adoption or foster care, or planned medical treatment for the staff member's your own serious health condition or that of a family member). When requesting partial or intermittent leave in connection with childbirth or adoption under the WFMLA, the staff member must provide at least as much notice as required for taking other non- emergency or non-medical leave, as well as a definite schedule for the leave. Where advance notice is not practical due to uncertainty as to when leave will be required to begin, a change in circumstances or medical emergency, notice must be given as soon as practical. Leave will be accounted for in increments no greater than the smallest increment used for other similar leaves, but in no event greater than one (1) hour increments. Leave entitlement will not be reduced by more than the amount of leave actually taken.

The staff member must provide a written request for leave, the reasons for the requested leave, and the anticipated beginning date and duration of the leave by submitting a FMLA leave request form to the District Administrator (forms available from the U.S. Department of Labor).

When planning medical treatment, the staff member should consult with his/her supervisor and make a reasonable effort to schedule the leave so as not to disrupt unduly the District's operations, subject to the approval of the staff member's healthcare provider. The staff member is ordinarily expected to consult with his/her supervisor in order to work out a treatment schedule which best suits his/her needs, as well as the District's.

If a staff member must take more leave than originally anticipated, s/he must notify the District Administrator within two (2) business days of learning of the circumstances necessitating the extension.

## Certification By Healthcare Provider

If a staff member requests leave due to his/her own serious health condition or the serious health condition of his/her spouse, child or parent, the Board requires that the leave request be supported by certification issued and signed by the healthcare provider for the individual with a serious health condition. For service member leave, any certification permitted under 29 C.F.R. 825.310 shall be allowed. The Board reserves the right to certify all information permitted by law.

The staff member must provide the fully completed certification to the District Administrator within fifteen (15) calendar days of the date that the certification is provided to the staff member, unless it is not practicable to do so despite the staff member's diligent, good faith efforts. If it is not practicable to return the certification within fifteen (15) calendar days, it must be returned to the District Administrator as soon as practicable.

If the staff member fails to submit the certification, the leave or continuation of leave may be delayed until the certification is submitted. Further, any absence prior to the date the certification is furnished may be considered unauthorized. A staff member who is absent without authorization may be disciplined, up to and including termination.

The District Administrator will give a staff member a reasonable opportunity to cure any deficiency in a certification, but not fewer than seven (7) calendar days. It is the responsibility of the staff member or family member with a serious health condition to use a healthcare provider who will complete and furnish an accurate certification in a timely manner.

A member of the administration, other than the staff member's direct supervisor, may contact the healthcare to clarify illegible answers and to authenticate the Certification. If the certification is incomplete or otherwise unclear, the administrator must request that the employee obtain updated or completed information from the healthcare provider and return it directly to the administrator.

If the District Administrator doubts the validity of a Certification, the District Administrator may require, at the Board's expense, that the staff member obtain a second opinion from a Board-designated provider, not regularly employed by the Board. If the opinions of the staff member's and the Board's healthcare providers differ, a third, final and binding opinion may be obtained. The staff member must cooperate in obtaining a second or third opinion including facilitating the transfer of pertinent records to the subsequent healthcare providers.

The District Administrator may request re-certifications on a periodic basis as permitted by law.

## Designation of Leave

In all circumstances, it is the responsibility of the District Administrator to designate leave, whether paid or unpaid, as FMLA leave and to give the staff member notice of the designation and his/her rights and responsibilities under this policy.

The District Administrator will give the staff member the Notice on each occasion that s/he notifies his/her supervisor of the need for leave that may be FMLA-qualifying, including, but not limited to, when the staff member requests another type of leave for an FMLA-qualifying reason. In the case of intermittent or reduced schedule leave, only one notice will be provided unless the circumstances regarding the leave have changed.

Absent extenuating circumstances, the District Administrator will provide to the employee a "Designation Notice" stating whether a request for leave has been approved or denied within five (5) business days. At a minimum, the staff member will be verbally notified whether leave is being designated as FMLA leave within five (5) business days of the date the staff member provides information to the District Administrator sufficient to enable him/her to determine that the leave is being taken for an FMLA-qualifying reason.

The District Administrator will confirm the verbal notice with the written notice as soon as feasible, but no later than the first payday following the verbal notice (unless the payday is less than one (1) week after the verbal notice, in which case the notice must be no later than the subsequent payday).

# Manner In Which Leave Can Be Taken

Leave available under this policy may be taken in full and, under certain circumstances, may also be taken intermittently or on a reduced leave schedule. Intermittent leave is leave taken in separate blocks of time due to a single qualifying reason. Reduced schedule leave is leave that reduces the usual number of working hours per day or week. The staff member must consult with his/her supervisor and make a reasonable effort to schedule intermittent or reduced schedule leave so it does not unduly disrupt the District's operations.

When leave is governed only by the FMLA, intermittent or reduced schedule leave to be with the employee's newborn child, or after the placement of a child with the employee for adoption or foster care, requires the District's agreement, unless the intermittent or reduced schedule leave is due to a serious health condition.

Intermittent or reduced schedule leave due to a serious health condition must be medically necessary. Medically necessary means there must be a medical need for the leave and the leave can be best accommodated through an intermittent or reduced leave schedule, as certified by the healthcare provider in the Certification.

When leave is governed only by the FMLA, the District Administrator may offer a staff member a temporary transfer to another position for which s/he is qualified with equivalent pay and benefits that better accommodates the intermittent or reduced schedule leave when the need for leave is foreseeable based on planned medical treatment or the staff member takes such leave for the birth of a child or for placement of a child for adoption or foster care. The staff member may reject this offer in which case there will be no adverse effect on the leave or entitlement to return to the same or similar position following leave. Any time spent by the staff member in an alternative position will not count against the employee's FMLA leave entitlement.

# Coordinating Leaves - Substitution

Generally, leave taken under this policy is unpaid. However, for leave governed exclusively by the FMLA, the staff member use the following leaves provided by the Board, if available

- A. vacation or personal leave, if available, for any family or medical leave;
- B. accrued paid family leave (i.e., paid leave covering the particular circumstances for which the staff member is seeking leave), if available, for birth, adoption, or to care for a seriously ill family member; and
- C. accrued paid medical or sick leave, if available, to care for a seriously ill family member, or for the staff member's own serious health condition.

A staff member may not substitute paid leave for unpaid FMLA leave taken under this policy in any situation where the Board would not normally provide such paid leave.

For leaves governed by the WFMLA, a staff member may substitute paid or unpaid leave, which s/he have earned and accrued, for leave taken under this policy, if available. The Board reserves the right to deny substitution as permitted by law.

Any paid leave substituted for unpaid FMLA leave or WFMLA leave will decrease, in whole or in part, the staff member's FMLA and/or WFMLA leave entitlement.

#### Continuation of Benefits

A staff member will remain eligible for group health insurance benefits under the Board's group health plan during leave taken under this policy under the same conditions as coverage would have been provided if the staff member had been actively employed during

the entire leave. However, the staff member has the option of choosing not to retain such coverage during family or medical leave.

During leave taken under this policy, the Board will continue to pay any portion of group health insurance premiums for coverage that it was responsible for paying immediately prior to the leave as required by law. The staff member will be responsible for paying his/her portion of health insurance premiums regardless of whether his/her family and medical leave is paid or unpaid. It is the staff member's responsibility to make arrangements with the District Administrator for making premium payments for group health insurance during leaves.

To the extent permitted by law, the Board reserves the right to require the staff member to place up to eight (8) weeks of health insurance premiums in escrow prior to leave, or to discontinue coverage if such premiums are received more than thirty (30) days late.

The staff member's entitlement to benefits other than group health benefits during a period of family or medical leave is determined by the Board's policy regarding provision of such benefits when a staff member is on other types of leave.

If a staff member fails to return to work or fails to remain at work for a period provided under the law, the District may recover its portion of the premiums paid for medical benefit coverage during the leave, unless the reason for the staff member's failure to return to work is due to the continuation of the serious health condition or the onset of a new serious health condition.

## Accrual of Benefits

The use of leave under this policy will not result in the loss of any employment benefit that accrued prior to the start of the staff member's leave. A staff member will not continue to accrue seniority or any other employment benefit during leave taken under this policy, except that such benefit shall accrue if the staff member elects to use other leaves provided by the Board, and if such benefits would normally accrue during such leave.

#### **Employment Restoration**

A staff member will generally be reinstated to the same position s/he held when leave began or a position with equivalent pay, benefits, and other terms and conditions of employment, if such position remains available, and the staff member possesses the ability to perform the essential functions of the job satisfactorily, with or without any accommodation that may be required by the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990. The staff member, however, has no greater right to reinstatement or benefits than if s/he had been actively employed during the leave. Further, if the staff member gives unequivocal notice of intent not to return to work, s/he is not entitled to be reinstated.

A staff member who exceeds his/her FMLA/WFMLA leave, but remains off work under a non-FMLA/WFMLA leave policy, is not entitled to reinstatement to the same or a similar position under the FMLA/WFMLA; however, the staff member <u>may</u> be eligible to be reinstated under the non-FMLA/WFMLA leave policy.

A staff member who is able to return to work prior to the expiration of leave must notify his/her supervisor immediately. Upon such notice, the District Administrator will promptly reinstate the staff member to active employment, provided s/he has the present skill and ability to perform the essential functions of his/her job satisfactorily with or without accommodation. However, the reinstatement need not occur until the third business day following the staff member's notification of his/her ability to return to work.

#### Fitness For Duty Certification

If leave is due to the staff member's serious health condition, s/he must present certification to return to work to his/her supervisor upon returning to work. The staff member's principal attending physician must complete the certification. The certification must indicate that the staff member has been released to return to work. It must also specify any physical or other limitation on the staff member's ability to perform regular or other duties and the duration of the limitations. No certification will be required when the staff member returns from intermittent leave, except as otherwise permitted or required by the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990.

The certification will be limited to the particular health condition that caused the staff member's need for leave, except as otherwise permitted by the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990. If the staff member is an "individual with a disability" within the meaning of the ADA, any fitness-for-duty physical examination or inquiry by the District will be job related and consistent with business necessity.

Reinstatement may be delayed until the staff member submits the certification. Under such circumstances, if the staff member does not promptly provide a certification or qualify for another leave of absence, s/he may be disciplined, up to and including termination.

With the staff member's permission, the Board's healthcare provider may contact the staff member's healthcare provider to clarify and authenticate the certification, but no additional information may be requested or required, and the staff member's return to work may not be delayed while the contact is being made. No second or third fitness for duty certification may be required.

# Confidentiality

All medical information relating to leave, whether written or verbal, shall be kept confidential to the maximum extent possible. All medical documents including, but not limited to, medical certifications and return-to-work statements must be maintained in confidential, secure files separate from personnel files.

# No Discrimination

Leave under this policy will not be used as a negative factor in employment actions, such as hiring, promotions, disciplinary actions or under attendance policies.

# Miscellaneous

The District Administrator may designate another administrator to perform his/her duties under this policy.

A staff member who fraudulently obtains leave under this policy is not protected by this policy's job restoration or maintenance of health benefits provisions.

The District Administrator shall see that the policy is posted properly.

The District Administrator shall provide a copy of the policy upon the request of a staff member.

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29 U.S.C. 2601 et seq.

29 C.F.R. Part 825

103.10, Wis. Stats.

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#### 4440 - JOB-RELATED EXPENSES

The Board of Education will provide for the payment of the actual and necessary expenses, including traveling expenses, of any support staff member of the District reasonably and necessarily incurred in the course of performing services for the District, whether within or outside the District, under the direction of the Board and in accordance with the District Administrator's administrative guidelines.

# The validity of payments for job-related expenses shall be determined by the Bookkeeper.

Payment and reimbursement rates for per diem meals, lodging, and mileage shall be approved by the Board annually. The Board shall establish mileage rates in accordance with the Federal Internal Revenue Service prescribed mileage rate.

Employees are expected to exercise the same care incurring travel expenses that a prudent person would exercise if traveling on personal business and expending personal funds. Unauthorized costs and additional expenses incurred for personal preference or convenience will not be reimbursed.

Unauthorized expenses include but are not limited to alcohol, movies, fines for traffic violations, and the entertainment/meals/lodging of spouses or guests.

Travel payment and reimbursement provided from Federal funds must be authorized in advance and must be reasonable and consistent with the District's travel policy and administrative guidelines.

The Board shall pay the expenses of support staff members when they attend professional meetings approved in accordance with the policy of this Board and in accordance with the administrative guidelines of the District Administrator.

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#### 5111 - ELIGIBILITY OF RESIDENT/NONRESIDENT STUDENTS

The Board of Education establishes the following policy for determining the eligibility of students to attend the schools of this District.

- A. The Board will educate, tuition-free, students who are legal residents of the District. Proof of residency will be required for registration in the District. If residency is with individuals other than a parent, the living arrangement may not be solely for purposes of attending the District's schools, it must be based on a reason other than educational purposes.
- B. The District shall <u>not make residency determinations on the basis of an individual's alienage</u><del>provide a free education to those students who are considered by Federal law to be illegal aliens or considered to be homeless by State established criteria.</del>

C.

The District shall consider those students who are homeless or in foster placement to be residents unless residency is determined to be in another district.

- D. Upon request of a student's parent or guardian, students who have gained twelfth grade status and who no longer reside within the District shall be permitted to complete their high school education tuition free.
- E. Students enrolled in the special education program of this District whose parents do not reside within the District may attend as tuition students with tuition computed pursuant to 121.83(1)(c) Wis. Stats. (Discretionary as to attendance, and mandatory as to calculation of tuition.)
- F. Resident students in grades 9-12 who attend private school or home- based educational programs shall be accepted into the District's educational programs for up to two (2) classes if the student satisfies the high school admission standards and sufficient space is available in the classes.
- G. If a parent (or adult student) presents information to the District certifying that the parent (or adult student), his/her child, or a member of the parent's household is a participant in the Safe at Home/Address Confidentiality Program administered by the Wisconsin Department of Justice, the Board shall use the address designated by the Department of Justice to serve as the student's address for enrollment purposes. The District shall place a copy of any certification provided by the parent in the enrollment files.
- H. A high school student who now resides in a different school district as a result of a reorganization under Chapter 117 and who has completed 9th and 10th grade at his/her former school district shall be allowed to complete his/her education at the former school district, provided the other district agrees. The school board of residence shall pay the student's tuition. The school of attendance shall count the student in its membership. For State Aid purposes under subchapter II.
- I. Children of joint custody orders may attend school without payment of tuition if one (1) parent resides in this District or the order designates as the residential parent the parent with legal residence in the District.
- J. Foreign students, participating in a bona fide, foreign-exchange program and living with a resident host family, may be admitted<u>consisten</u> with Federal law. tuition free.
- K. Students whose parents do not reside within the District, but who present evidence that they will move into the District within a short period of time, may enroll in the schools of this District as tuition students for the time not in residence. Tuition

will be refunded in accordance with State law.

- L. Minor students residing in the District, but not living with a parent, may be required to provide information sufficient to allow the administration to properly determine resident status under law.
- M. Tuition students may be accepted in accordance with State law and the approval of the District Administrator.
- N. Nonresidents may be accepted into the District's Adult Education classes upon payment of the appropriate fees.
- O. Nonresident students may be accepted into the District's Summer School Program upon payment of appropriate fees.

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1. Nonresident students may be accepted into the District's program under the Part-Time Open EnrollmentCourse
OptionsProgram. Nonresident students accepted into the District's Part-Time Open EnrollmentCourse Options Program
may attend no more than two (2) courses at any time.

Nonresident students may be accepted into the District's program under the Full Time Open Enrollment Program.

- Q. Nonresident students in grades 9 12 may be accepted into the District's programs for up to two (2) classes under the Part-Time Open Enrollment Program. (Discretionary as to enrollment, and mandatory as to limit of two (2) classes.)
- R. The District Administrator, at his/her discretion, may deny admission to a student who has been expelled from another Wisconsin public school district, for the period of the unexpired term of the expulsion. When the expulsion from the other district has expired, the student is to be admitted providing all other eligibility requirements have been met.

In the event that the District Administrator intends to enroll a student during the term of an expulsion order issued by another Wisconsin public school District, the enrollment must be approved by the Board.

The Board may prohibit the enrollment of a student during the term of an expulsion order issued by a charter school under section 118.40(2r) Wis Stats., or by a public school district in another state, provided that the Board determines that the conduct giving rise to the expulsion would have been grounds for expulsion under Policy 5610.

S. Students who have begun the school year as residents and who no longer reside in the District may be permitted to complete the school year tuition- free.

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 $120.13(1(f),\ 121.77\ et\ seq.,\ 121.81,\ 121.84,\ Wis\ Stats.$ 

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#### 5200 - ATTENDANCE

State law requires the Board of Education to enforce the regular attendance of students. Further, the Board recognizes that the District's educational program is predicated upon the presence of the student and requires continuity of instruction and classroom participation. The regular contact of students with one another in the classroom and their participation in a well-planned instructional activity under the tutelage of a competent teacher are vital to this purpose.

All children between six (6) and eighteen (18) years of age shall attend school regularly during the full period and hours, religious holidays excepted, that the school in which the child is enrolled is in session until the end of the term, quarter, or semester of the school year in which the child becomes eighteen (18) years of age, unless they fall under an exception under State law, this policy, or administrative guideline issued under this policy. A child who is enrolled in five (5) year-old kindergarten shall attend school regularly, religious holidays excepted, during the full period and hours that kindergarten is in session until the end of the school term.

# Written Excuse Required

The District Administrator shall require, from the parent or guardian of each student or from an adult student, who has been absent for any reason a written, signed, dated statement stating the reason for the absence and the time period covered by the absence. The Board reserves the right to verify such statements and to investigate the cause of each:

- A. single absence;
- B. prolonged absence;
- C. absence of more than two (2) days duration;
- D. repeated unexplained absence and tardiness.

#### School Attendance Officer

The District Administrator shall designate an administrator at each school to be the School Attendance Officer. The School Attendance Officer shall perform any duties and responsibilities s/he is required to perform by State law, this policy, and any administrative guidelines issued by the school. The duties of the School Attendance Officer shall include, but not be limited to, the following.

- A. Determining daily from attendance reports submitted by teachers which students enrolled in the school are absent from school and whether the absence is excused.
- B. Submitting to the District Administrator, on or before August 1st of each year, a report of the number of students enrolled in the school who were absent in the previous year and whether the absences were excused. The District Administrator shall then submit this information to the State Superintendent.
- C. Providing student attendance information to individuals and agencies for purposes authorized by State law and the Board's Policy 8330 Student Records.

#### Excused Absences

As required under State law, a student shall be excused from school for the following reasons:

## A. Physical or Mental Condition

The student is temporarily not in proper physical or mental condition to attend a school program.

#### B. Obtaining Religious Instruction

To enable the student to obtain religious instruction outside the school during the required school period (see Policy 5223-Absences for Religious Instruction).

#### C. Permission of Parent or Guardian

The student has been excused by his/her parent or guardian before the absence for any or no reason. A student may not be excused for more than ten (10) days per school year under this paragraph and must complete any course work missed during the absence.

## D. Religious Holiday

For observance of a religious holiday consistent with the student's creed or belief.

#### E. Suspension or Expulsion

The student has been suspended or expelled.

#### F. Program or Curriculum Modification

The Board has excused the student from regular school attendance to participate in a program or curriculum modification leading to high school graduation or a high school equivalency diploma as provided by State law.

# G. High School Equivalency - Secured Facilities

The Board has excused a student from regular school attendance to participate in a program leading to a high school equivalency diploma in a secured correctional facility, a secured child caring institution, a secure detention facility, or a juvenile portion of a county jail, and the student and his/her parent or guardian agree that the student will continue to participate in such a program.

#### H. Child at Risk

The student is a "child at risk" as defined under State law and is participating in a program at a technical college on either a part-time or full-time basis leading to high school graduation, as provided under State law.

## Unexcused Absences

Unexcused absences demonstrate a deliberate disregard for the educational program and are considered a serious matter. The District Administrator shall develop administrative guidelines to address unexcused absences.

# Truancy Plan

The Board will issue a Truancy Plan based upon the recommendations of the County Truancy Committee convened under State law, the Board's policies and procedures, and applicable provisions of State law. The Board will review and, if appropriate, revise the Truancy Plan at least once every two (2) years.

A student will be considered truant if s/he is absent part or all of one (1) or more days from school during which the School Attendance Officer, principal, or a teacher has not been notified of the legal cause of such absence by the parent or guardian of the absent student. A student who is absent intermittently for the purpose of defeating the intent of the Wisconsin Compulsory Attendance Statute Sec. 118.15, Wis. Stats., will also be considered truant.

A student will be considered a habitual truant if s/he is absent from school without an acceptable excuse for part or all of five (5) or more days on which school is held during a school semester.

# Notice of Truancy

The School Attendance Officer shall notify a truant student's parent of the student's truancy and direct the parent to return the student to school no later than the next day on which school is in session or to provide an excuse for the absence. The notice under this paragraph shall be given before the end of the second school day after receiving a report of an unexcused absence. The nNotice may shall be made by electronic communication, personal contact, or telephone call, or 1st class mail if possible, and a written record of this notice shall be kept. The School Attendance Officer shall attempt to give notice by personal contact, telephone call, or, unless the parent has refused to receive electronic communication, notice by 1st class mail may be given. In the event that an attempt is made to contact the parent by personal contact or telephone call and the parent is not reached, notice may be provided by 1st class mail. If such notice is not effective, notice shall be made by mail. This notice must be given every time a student is truant until the student becomes a habitual truant. The School Attendance Officer shall notify a truant student's parent or guardian of the student's truancy and direct the parent or guardian to return the student to school no later than the next day on which school is in session or to provide an excuse for the absence. The notice under this paragraph shall be given before the end of the second school day after receiving a report of an unexcused absence. Notice shall be made by personal contact or telephone call, if possible, and a written record of this notice shall be kept. If such notice is not effective, notice shall be made by mail. This notice must be given every time a student is truant until the student becomes a habitual truant.

When a student initially becomes a habitual truant, the School Attendance Officer shall provide a notice to the student's parent, by registered or certified mail, or by 1st class mail. The School Attendance Officer may simultaneously notify the parent of the habitually truant student by an electronic communication., The notice must contain which contains the following: When a student initially becomes a habitual truant, the School Attendance Officer shall provide a notice to the student's parent or guardian, by registered or certified mail, which contains the following:

- A. a statement of the parent's or guardian's responsibility under State law to cause the student to attend school regularly
- B. a statement that the parent, guardian, or student may request program or curriculum modifications for the student under State law and that the student may be eligible for enrollment in a program for children at risk
- C. a request that the parent or guardian meet with the appropriate school personnel to discuss the student's truancy

The notice shall include the name of the school personnel with whom the parent or guardian should meet, a date, time, and place for the meeting and the name, address, and telephone number of a person to contact to arrange a different date, time, or place. The date for the meeting shall be within five (5) school days after the date that the notice is sent, except that with the consent of the student's parent or guardian the date for the meeting may be extended for an additional five (5) school days.

D. a statement of the penalties, under State law or local ordinances that may be imposed on the parent or guardian if s/he fails to cause the child to attend school regularly as required by State law

The School Attendance Officer will also continue to notify the parent or guardian of a habitual truant's subsequent unexcused absences.

Referral to the District Attorney

Truancy cases will be referred to the District Attorney as provided in the County Truancy Committee Plan. The School Attendance Officer will ensure that appropriate school personnel have done the following before any case is referred to the District Attorney:

- A. met with the student's parent or guardian to discuss the student's truancy or attempted to meet with the student's parent or guardian and received no response or were refused
- B. provided an opportunity for educational counseling to the student to determine whether a change in the student's curriculum would resolve the student's truancy and have curriculum modifications under State law
- C. evaluated the student to determine whether learning problems may be a cause of the student's truancy and, if so, have taken steps to overcome the learning problems, except that the student need not be evaluated if tests administered to the student within the previous year indicate that the student is performing at his/her grade level
- D. conducted an evaluation to determine whether social problems may be a cause of the student's truancy and, if so, have taken appropriate action or made appropriate referrals

Note that paragraph A. is not required if the meeting between school personnel, the student, and the student's parent or guardian, which was requested in the Notice of Habitual Truancy to the parent or guardian, did not occur within ten (10) school days after the

Notice was sent. Paragraphs B., C., and D. are not required if appropriate school personnel were unable to carry out the activity due to the student's absences from school.

Make-up Course Work and Examinations

#### Excused Absences

A student whose absence from school was excused, except for an expelled student, shall be permitted to make-up course work and any quarterly, semester, or grading period examinations missed during the absences when they return to school. It is the student's responsibility to contact his/her teachers to determine what course work and examinations must be made-up. Teachers shall have the discretion to assign substitute course work and examinations. Teachers shall also have the discretion to specify where and when examinations and course work shall be completed, including outside regular school hours. The time for completing the work shall be commensurate with the length of the absence, unless extended by the principal based upon extenuating circumstances.

#### Unexcused Absences

Credit in a course or subject shall not be denied solely because of a student's unexcused absences from school.

Students with unexcused absences shall be permitted to make-up course work and any quarterly, semester, or grading period examinations missed during the absence if the student is at risk of receiving no credit in a course or subject if the work is not made up.

Subject to the immediately preceding two (2) paragraphs, credit may, but is not required to be given for the completion of make-up work. Further, credit for make-up work may be given only after the student has satisfied consequences imposed for unexcused absences. The extent to which make-up credit is given shall be determined on a case-by-case basis by the principal and the respective teachers.

If make-up work has been assigned, it is the student's responsibility to contact his/her teachers to determine what course work and examinations must be made-up. Teachers shall have the discretion to assign substitute course work and examinations. Teachers shall also have the discretion to specify where and when examinations and course work shall be completed, including outside regular school hours. The time for completing the work shall be commensurate with the length of the absence, unless extended by the principal based upon extenuating circumstances.

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#### 5512 - USE OF TOBACCO BY STUDENTS

The Board of Education is committed to providing students, staff, and visitors with a tobacco and smoke-free environment. The negative health effects of tobacco and nicotine use for both users and non-users, particularly in connection with second hand smoke, are well- established. In addition, students less than eighteen (18) years of age are generally prohibited by law from purchasing or possessing cigarettes and other tobacco products.

For purposes of this policy, "use of tobacco" means to chew or maintain any substance containing tobacco, including smokeless tobacco, in the mouth to derive the effects of tobacco, as well as all uses of tobacco, including cigars, cigarettes, pipe tobacco, chewing tobacco, snuff, any other matter or substances that contain tobacco, in addition to papers used to roll cigarettes and/or the smoking of electronic, "vapor," or other substitute or simulated forms of cigarettes, clove cigarettes and any other lighted smoking devices for burning tobacco or any other substance. This policy also prohibits the use of other products containing nicotine, including but not limited to nicotine patches and nicotine gumAccordingly, Accordingly, the Board prohibits students from using or possessing tobacco or nicotine in any form on District premises, in District vehicles, within any indoor facility owned or while leased or contracted for by the District and used to provide education or library services to children, and at all District-sponsored events.

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120.12(20), Wis. Stats.

254.92, Wis. Stats.

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#### 5516 - STUDENT HAZING

The Board of Education believes that hazing activities of any type are inconsistent with the educational process and a violation of State law. It prohibits all such activities at any time in school facilities, on school property, and at any District-sponsored event.

Hazing shall be defined for purposes of this policy as performing any act or coercing another, including the victim, to perform any act of initiation into any class, group, or organization that causes or creates a risk of causing mental, emotional, or physical harm. Permission, consent, or assumption of risk by an individual subjected to hazing shall not lessen the prohibitions contained in this policy.

Administrators, faculty members, and other employees of the District shall be alert to possible situations, circumstances, or events which might include hazing. If hazing or planned hazing is discovered, the students involved shall be informed by the discoverer of the prohibitions contained in this policy and shall be ordered to end all hazing activities or planned activities immediately. All hazing incidents shall be reported immediately to the District Administrator. Students, administrators, faculty members, and other employees who fail to abide by this policy may be subject to disciplinary action and may be held personally liable for civil or criminal penalties. Disciplinary action for students may include, but not be limited to, suspension and/or expulsion. Disciplinary action for staff members may be subject to any applicable terms of <a href="the Employee Handbook.active bargaining agreement">the District Administrator shall distribute this policy to all students and District employees, and shall incorporate it into building, staff, and student handbooks. It shall also be the subject of discussion at employee staff meetings or in service programs.

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Legal 118.13 Wis. Stats.

120.13 Wis. Stats

P.I. 9, 41 Wis. Admin. Code

Fourteenth Amendment, U.S. Constitution

20 U.S.C. 1415

20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq., Title IX of Education Amendments Act

20 U.S.C. 1701 et seq., Equal Educational Opportunities Act of 1974

29 U.S.C. 794, Rehabilitation Act of 1973

42 U.S.C. 1983

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## 5530 - DRUG PREVENTION

The Board of Education recognizes that the misuse of drugs is a serious problem with legal, physical, and social implications for the entire school community.

For purposes of this policy, "drugs" shall mean:

- A. all dangerous controlled substances as so designated and prohibited by Wisconsin statute;
- B. all chemicals which release toxic vapors;
- C. all alcoholic beverages;
- D. any prescription or patent drug, except those for which permission to use in school has been granted pursuant to Board policy;
- E. "look-alikes";
- F. anabolic steroids;
- G. any other illegal substance so designated and prohibited by law.

The Board prohibits the use, possession, concealment, or distribution of any drug and any drug-paraphernalia at any time on District property or at any District-related event.

The District Administrator shall prepare guidelines for the identification, amelioration, and regulation of drug use in the schools including education, prevention and standards of conduct. Education shall be intended to develop awareness of: drug abuse, including prescription drug abuse, and prevention; the relationship between highway safety and the use of alcohol and controlled substances, including prescription drugs; and the relationship between youth suicide and the use of alcohol and controlled substances, .- Such guidelines shall:

- A. emphasize the prevention of drug use;
- B. provide for a comprehensive, age appropriate, developmentally based drug and alcohol education and prevention program which:
  - 1. addresses the legal, social, psychological, and health consequences of drug and alcohol use;
  - 2. provides information about effective techniques for resisting peer pressure to use illicit drugs and alcohol;
- C. include a statement to students that the use of illicit drugs and the unlawful possession and use of alcohol is wrong and harmful;
- D. provide standards of conduct that are applicable to all students which clearly prohibit, at a minimum, the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students on school premises or as a part of any school activity;
- E. include a clear statement that disciplinary sanctions, up to and including expulsion and referral for prosecution, will be imposed on students who violate the school standards of conduct and a description of those sanctions;
- F. provide information about any drug and alcohol counseling and rehabilitation and reentry programs available to students and provide procedures to direct students and their parents to the appropriate programs;

- G. require that all parents and students be given a copy of the standards of conduct regarding the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students;
- H. require the notification to parents and students that compliance with the standards of conduct is mandatory;
- I. provide a biennial review of the school district's program to determine its effectiveness and implement changes as needed and to ensure that disciplinary sanctions are consistently enforced.

Professional staff members are not liable for referring a student to law enforcement or for removing a student from school premises or from participation in a school related activity for suspicion of possession, distribution, or consumption of any alcoholic beverage or a controlled substance.

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#### 5540 - THE SCHOOLS AND GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES

The Board of Education is committed to maintaining the educational atmosphere of the schools and restricting access by individuals not part of the school system but also recognizes its responsibility to cooperate with law enforcement agencies and its need for assistance from law enforcement in certain circumstances.

When law enforcement requests permission to interview a student at school, the District Administrator or building administrator shall be contacted prior to any further action by law enforcement. The administrator shall determine whether it is appropriate to provide access to the student based on the officer's purpose, whether the officer has stated that there is an emergency involving imminent threat, or that the officer is in possession of a valid warrant. A warrant shall be deemed valid if executed by a judicial officer and describes the school premises.

If law enforcement is contacted by the administration for assistance, administration shall maintain the lead role in the investigation and shall be present or contact a parent to be present for any interview to the extent reasonable.

When an agency requests permission to remove a student, or does remove a student without prior permission, the building administrator shall notify the District Administrator.

Law enforcement investigations on school premises fall into two (2) primary categories. First, some investigations will occur at the request of school administration due to suspicion of a violation of school policy that may also be criminal. Second, law enforcement investigations may occur without the initiation of school officials and may or may not involve activity on school grounds.

Different procedures are to be followed in each instance as outlined below:

A. By law enforcement personnel, on request of school authorities

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- An administrator may exercise his/her discretion in determining whether to request assistance of law
  enforcement officer police in investigating a crime, or allegation of a crime, committed in his/her school
  building or school grounds during school hours. If assistance is so requested, it shall be directed to the
  local law enforcement agency and the administration shall remain the primary investigator with
  assistance from law enforcement. When determining whether to contact law enforcement, a school
  administrator shall consider the mandatory reporting requirements of Section 48.981 in the event the
  allegations involve suspected child abuse or neglect.
  - 2. If the administrator requests assistance, a law enforcement police officer may conduct an investigation within the school building and interview students as witnesses in school during the school day. Administrators shall take steps to assure that students are not removed from classes if at all possible. The administrator shall be present during the interview unless the law enforcement officer, student or his/her parent requests that the school official not be present. The student may request other representation such as legal counsel. If a student requests legal counsel, the administrator will make an effort to contact the parent(s) and the student will be put in custody of the law enforcement agencypolice. The administrator shall attempt to contact the parent(s) of any student prior to questioning by law enforcementpolice. A decision whether to take a student into custody is the decision of the law enforcement officerpolice.

- 3. If the investigation focuses on a particular student as a prime suspect of crime, the administrator and the law enforcement police officer shall abide by the guidelines with respect to any interrogation, search and arrest. Once law enforcement is involved in an investigation of possible criminal activity on school grounds, assuring that the constitutionally protected rights are respected during the investigation process is the law enforcement officers' responsibility.
- 4. <u>School officials shall assist and cooperate in investigations as requested by law enforcement and consistent with District responsibility to maintain the confidentiality of student records under State and Federal law.</u>
- 2. By law enforcement personnel without request of school authorities
  - 1. Law enforcement Police officers will be asked to make every effort to interview students outside of the school hours and outside of the school setting in those cases where assistance has not been requested by school authorities. This procedure will not apply to circumstances where a serious crime may be involved, or where imminent threats to persons or property may be involved or where law enforcement states that it is not feasible to interview the student outside of school due to the nature of the investigation and that they are not able to provide specific information substantiating the need to immediately interview the student.
  - 2. If the law-enforcement police officer deems it absolutely necessary to interview a student at school, the law enforcement personnel shall first contact the administrator regarding the planned visit and inform the administrator of the circumstances that require him/her to investigate within the school and obtain his/her approval to interview a student during school hours. The police officer shall not commence his/her investigation until such approval is obtained. The law enforcement personnel may appeal to the District Administrator if it is deemed that approval was unreasonably withheld.

 $\frac{\mbox{The administrator shall make every effort to maintain the privacy of the student.}}{\mbox{the}}$ 

3. ( ) Accordingly, the administrator shall do the following:

- 1. -(-) Require the law enforcement officer to sign in upon arrival at the school and complete a form stating the reasons why questioning may not wait until after school hours. If the officer indicates it is a confidential investigation, officials shall allow access.-
  - ( ) Request that law enforcement arrive at school inconspicuously (e.g., dressed in plain clothes and driving undercover vehicle).
- 2. ( ) Request that every attempt be made to schedule questioning during a time the student is not in class.
- 3. <u>-( )</u> Request that the student be pulled out of class by a school administrator, rather than a police law enforcement officer, if necessary.
- 4. <u>-( )</u> Notify the law enforcement officer that the school official will be attempting to contact the student's parent prior to questioning, unless specifically requested not to because such contact would unduly impede the investigation.
- 4. If law enforcement officer is in possession of a **valid warrant**, school officials shall in no way interfere with the officer's execution of the warrant. A warrant shall be considered "valid" if it accurately describes the school facility and is executed by an authorized judicial official. District officials shall not attempt to evaluate the sufficiency of probable cause upon which the warrant is based.

In the event a law enforcement officer seeks to execute a warrant on school grounds, the officer is to be directed to building administration. The administration shall attempt to assist in executing the warrant by directing the student to report to the office. The school administration shall then (1) contact the student's parent if the student is a minor; and (2) contact the District Administrator. This process shall be followed unless the law enforcement official states that s/he has reason to believe that the subject of the warrant poses an immediate threat to the health and safety of others while in the school. In such a case, school officials shall grant access to the facility for execution of the warrant.

The District Administrator shall prepare guidelines to promote understanding and cooperation between staff members and students and these agencies.

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An administrator may exercise his/her discretion in determining whether to request assistance of police in investigating a crime, or allegation of a crime, committed in his/her school building or school grounds during school hours. If assistance is so requested, it shall be directed to the local law enforcement agency and the administration shall remain the primary investigator with assistance from law enforcement. When determining whether to contact law enforcement, a school administrator shall consider the mandatory reporting requirements of Section 48.981 in the event the allegations involve suspected child abuse or neglect.

- 2. If the administrator requests assistance, a police officer may conduct an investigation within the school building and interview students as witnesses in school during the school day. Administrators shall take steps to assure that students are not removed from classes if at all possible. The administrator shall be present during the interview unless the law enforcement officer, student or his/her parent requests that the school official not be present. The student may request other representation such as legal counsel. If a student requests legal counsel, the administrator will make an effort to contact the parent(s) and the student will be put in custody of the police. The administrator shall attempt to contact the parent(s) of any student prior to questioning by police. A decision whether to take a student into custody is the decision of the police.
- 3. If the investigation focuses on a particular student as a prime suspect of crime, the administrator and the police officer shall abide by the guidelines with respect to any interrogation, search and arrest. Once law enforcement is involved in an investigation of possible criminal activity on school grounds, assuring that the constitutionally protected rights are respected during the investigation process is the law enforcement officers' responsibility.
- 4. School officials shall assist and cooperate in investigations as requested by law enforcement and consistent with District responsibility to maintain the confidentiality of student records under State and Federal law.
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    nature of the investigation and that they are not able to provide specific information substantiating the need to
    immediately interview the student.
  - 2. If the police deem it absolutely necessary to interview a student at school, the law enforcement personnel shall first contact the administrator regarding the planned visit and inform the administrator of the circumstances that require him/her to investigate within the school and obtain his/her approval to interview a student during school hours. The police officer shall not commence his/her investigation until such approval is obtained. The law enforcement personnel may appeal to the District Administrator if it is deemed that approval was unreasonably withheld. The administrator shall make every effort to maintain the privacy of the student.
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#### 5630 - CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

While recognizing that students may require disciplinary action in various forms, the Board of Education cannot condone the use of unreasonable force and fear as an appropriate procedure in student discipline.

Professional staff should not find it necessary to resort to physical force or violence to compel obedience. If all other means fail, staff members may always resort to the removal of the student from the classroom or school through suspension, expulsion, or other disciplinary intervention.

Professional staff, as well as support staff, within the scope of their employment, may use and apply reasonable and necessary force to:

#### A.

- 1. reasonable and necessary force to quell a disturbance or prevent an act that threatens physical injury to any personthreatening physical injury to self or others;
- 2. reasonable and necessary force to obtain possession of a weapon or other dangerous objectweapons or other dangerous objects upon or within a student'sthe control of the student;
- 3. reasonable and necessary force for the purpose of use self-defense or the defense of defend others under 939.48, Wis. Stats.;
- 4. reasonable and necessary force for the protection of protect property under 939.49, Wis. Stats.;
- 5. <u>reasonable and necessary force to remove a disruptive student from a school premises or motor vehicle, as defined in 125.09(2)(a)1. and 4., Wis. Stats., or from a school-related activities activity, or a District vehicle;</u>
- 6. reasonable and necessary force to prevent a student from inflicting harm on himself/herself;
- 7. reasonable and necessary force to protect the safety of others;.
- 8. incidental, minor, or reasonable physical contact designed to maintain order and control.

<u>In addition, staff members may use or apply incidental, minor, or reasonable physical contact designed to maintain order and control with the scope of employment.</u>

quell a disturbance threatening physical injury to self or others;

- B. obtain possession of weapons or other dangerous objects upon or within the control of the student;
- C. use self defense or defend others;
- D. protect property;
- E. remove a disruptive student from school premises, a school related activity, or a District vehicle;
- F. prevent a student from inflicting harm on himself/herself;
- G. protect the safety of others.

In addition, staff members may use or apply incidental, minor, or reasonable physical contact designed to maintain order and control with the scope of employment.

In accordance with State law, corporal punishment shall not be permitted. If any staff member, full-time, part-time, or substitute intentionally inflicts, or causes to be inflicted, physical pain by hitting, paddling, spanking, slapping, forcing prolonged maintenance

of physically-painful positions, or makes use of any other kind of physical force as a means of disciplining a student, s/he may be subject to discipline up to and including discharge by this Board and possibly criminal assault charges as well. This prohibition applies as well to volunteers and those with whom the District contracts for services.

In determining whether or not a person was acting within the exceptions noted above, if appropriate, deference may be given to reasonable, good faith judgements made by District employees or agents.

The corporal punishment policy and statute shall be interpreted in a manner that is consistent with the State law and policy governing the use of seclusion and restraint.

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6830 - AUDIT

The Board of Education requires that, after the close of the fiscal year (June 30th), an audit of all accounts of the District be made annually by an independent, certified public accountant. The audit examination shall be conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standardsand the Wisconsin Uniform Financial Accounting Requirements of the DPI (WUFAR). The audit shall include all funds over which the Board has direct or supervisory control.

The auditor shall also prepare a detailed audit report which report shall be submitted and submit a copy of the District's audit report to the Department of Public Instruction byeach year after it has been presented to and approved by the Board. The District Administrator shall assure that the audit report is completed timely and submitted prior to the deadline established by DPI.

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The Auditor shall also prepare and submit a copy of the District's audit report to the Department of Public Instruction by September 30 of each year.

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#### **7217 - WEAPONS**

The Board of Education prohibits professional staff members, students, and visitors from possessing, storing, making, or using a weapon in any setting that is under the control and supervision of the District for the purpose of school activities approved and authorized by the District including, but not limited to, property leased, owned, or contracted for by the District, a school-sponsored event, or in a District vehicle to the extent permitted by law without the permission of the District Administrator.

This prohibition does not apply to cased, unloaded firearms in a locked vehicle driven or parked in any part of school grounds used as a parking facility, and ammunition for such firearms similarly stored.

# Concealed Carry Permit Holders

No parent or other volunteer may carry or in any fashion possess a concealed weapon, whether they hold a permit or not, while transporting students in a district owned vehicle. Additionally, anyone, including a holder of a concealed carry permit license issued or recognized by the State of Wisconsin, is prohibited by virtue of Wis. Stat. 948.605(2)(b)1r from possessing a concealed weapon anywhere in or on school grounds including parking areas.

#### Definition of "Weapon"

The term "weapon" means any object which, in the manner in which it is used, is intended to be used, or is represented, is capable of inflicting serious bodily harm or property damage, as well as endangering the health and safety of persons. Weapons include, but are not limited to, firearms (including, but not limited to firearms as defined in 18 U.S.C. 921(a)(3)), guns of any type, including air and gas-powered guns (whether loaded or unloaded), knives, (subject to the exceptions below) razors, with unguarded blades, clubs, electric weapons, metallic knuckles, martial arts weapons, ammunition, and explosives.

# Exceptions to this policy include:

- A. weapons under the control of law enforcement personnel while on duty, or off duty if there is an appropriate agreement between the District and the employer of the law enforcement personnel;
- B. contracted personnel that are authorized by law to carry weapons in the course of their professional duties and for which the District and the contracted entity have a contract that authorizes employees of the contracted entity to carry a weapon on school grounds and in school buildings in the performance of their duties (i.e. armored transport services);
- C. items approved by the District Administrator as part of a class or individual presentation under adult supervision, including, but not limited to hunters' education courses, if used for the purpose of and in the manner approved (working firearms, except those protected at all times by a cable or trigger lock, and live ammunition shall never be approved);
- D. theatrical props used in appropriate settings;
- E. starter pistols used in appropriate sporting events; and
- F. a lockback knife having a blade no longer than three (3) inches in length, a knife lawfully used for food consumption or preparation, or a knife used for a lawful purpose within the scope of the person's business while on District property or at a District-sponsored activity-employment.

The District Administrator may refer a visitor or volunteer who violates this policy to law enforcement officials. The visitor or volunteer may also be subject to other action such as loss of volunteer status at the sole discretion of the Board.

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Legal 120.13(1), Wis. Stats.

175.60, Wis. Stats. 943.13, Wis. Stats. 948.605, Wis. Stats. 18 U.S.C. 921(a)(3)

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# 7440 - FACILITY SECURITY

Promoting the safety of students, staff, and others in the school buildings, as well as providing for the protection of the significant financial investment in the District's buildings is a critical function of the Board. Proper safety measures are to be implemented to protect those who use the buildings and to protect the buildings and equipment owned by the Board from theft and vandalism in order to maintain the optimum conditions for carrying out the educational program.

The District Administrator shall develop and supervise a program for the security of the District's students, staff, visitors, school buildings, school grounds, and school equipment in compliance with State and Federal laws. Such a program may include the use of video surveillance and electronic monitoring equipment in appropriate areas in and around the schools and other District facilities, and on school buses.

Every effort shall be made to apprehend those who knowingly cause serious physical harm to students, staff, visitors, and Board property and to require prosecution of those who bring harm to persons and/or property. The Board will seek to repair the damage or seek the payment of a fee to cover such repairs.

# **Public Access to School Facilities**

The Board expects that during regular school hours, only students and school staff need to be present in the school building. The Board also acknowledges that there will be times during the instructional day that members of the public, including parents, invited guests, or other individuals will for appropriate and legitimate reasons require entry into a school facility. In such cases, the following guidelines shall be followed:

- A. The building administrator shall designate one entry into the school for use by visitors. This entry shall be the entry closest to the main office. All other exterior doors on the building shall be locked during the instructional day.
- B. All persons other than students and building staff shall check in with the main office of the building and shall complete a visitor log. Each visitor shall be given a visitor tag that shall be worn at all times while in the building.
- C. All visitors are expected to sign out prior to departing the building.

Any visitor to the school may be refused entry or asked to leave the building at any time if the building administrator determines that the visitor's presence is disruptive or is likely to become disruptive to the educational environment, or for other safety or security reasons. If a visitor refuses to leave upon request by the building administrator, the administrator shall contact local law enforcement as appropriate. No staff member should attempt to physically remove a visitor, unless the visitor poses an imminent safety threat.

Failure to follow the requirements above when entering or remaining in school facilities may be subjected to a fine not exceeding \$1,000 in circumstances tending to provoke a disturbance of the peace, may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than ninety (90) days.

Any school staff member that witnesses a visitor in the school building who is not wearing a visitor tag as required shall report to the main office. In the event the main office does not have record of such visitor properly checking, the office staff shall immediately contact the school resource officer, if applicable, or appropriate law enforcement.

# Parents as Visitors or Guardians as Visitors

The Board encourages parental involvement in the education of students in the District. For this reason, it is important to facilitate the involvement of parents in school activities and the educational process while at the same time preserving the integrity of the educational environment for all students. As a balance, the Board adopts the following requirements for parents visiting the school during the instructional day: Parents, like any other visitor, must enter the building through only the approved visitor entrance and shall check in at the main office in the same fashion as a visitor.

# <u>Parents visiting District schools shall comply with Policy 9150 - School Visitors, and other relevant policies and administrative guidelines.</u>

Parents that do not follow these guidelines or whose presence is disruptive to the educational environment may be asked to leave the building by the <u>b</u>Building <u>a</u>Administrator. Any decision to permanently expel a parent may only be made by the District Administrator due to repeated failure to follow rules causing a disruption to the educational environment or for overt threats of harm or actual physical contact with any staff or student.

## **Court Imposed Restrictions**

In any case in which an individual is the subject of a court order restricting the individuals presence at a school building, including any restrictions on the individuals physical proximity to an individual that is a student or staff member at the school facility, the <u>b</u>Building <u>a</u>Administrator shall inform staff of the situation and if any staff member sees the individual on school premises that staff member shall immediately contact law enforcement and the main office.

## Sex Offenders on School Property

Any person that is a registered sex offender under Wisconsin Law is required to notify the District Administrator or designee of the specific date, time and place of the person's visit to any school facility and must notify the <u>District Administrator</u> of his/her status as a registered sex offender.

Parents of students enrolled in the District must notify the District Administrator of his/her status as a registered sex offender and that s/he has a child enrolled in the District. Notification must occur at the beginning of each school year or at the time the individual is required to register or whenever the child is first enrolled, whichever occurs first.

Notification requirements do not apply if the person will be on school grounds to vote in an election or to attend a non-school sponsored event occurring on the school grounds.

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# 81462370 - NOTIFICATION OF EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS

The Board of Education recognizes the need to provide alternative means by which students achieve the goals of the District.

On an annual basis, a list of all educational options available to children who reside in the District, including public school, private schools participating in a parental choice program, charter schools, virtual schools, full-time open enrollment, Early College Credit Programyouth options, Start College Now Program, part-time open enrollmentcourse options, and options for students enrolled in a home-based private education program, will be provided to parents.

On an annual basis, a list of all educational options available to children who reside in the District, including public school, private schools participating in a parental choice program, charter schools, virtual schools, full time open enrollment, youth options, course options, and options for students enrolled in a home based private education program, will be provided to parents.

An optional plan to meet the recognized educational needs of a student shall be approved by the District Administrator. The District Administrator shall prepare a plan of educational options for use in meeting special needs.

Such options shall be consistent with Chapter 118 and may include, but not be limited to, tutorial programs, independent study, correspondence courses, work study or school work training programs, high school equivalency programs, technical college programs, summer school, early college entrance, etc.

Credit may be granted to the student upon complete evaluation of the program.

The credit shall be placed on the student's transcript. The amount of credit counting toward graduation shall comply with the graduation requirements of the State and the District.

The District Administrator shall establish administrative guidelines where each educational option is properly analyzed, planned, and implemented and complies with all applicable requirements of the State.

A list of the educational options available to students who reside in the District shall be provided to all parents on an annual basis. The list shall include public schools, private schools participating in a parental choice program, charter schools, virtual schools, full-time open enrollment, youth options, and course options. Such notice shall be published as a Class 1 Notice, pursuant to State law requirements, and posted on its website no later than January 31st each year. This notice shall include the performance category assigned to each school within the District, including charter schools and private schools participating in parental choice and shall inform parents that the full reports described in Policy 2605 are available on the website.

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118.15, Wis. Stats. 118.55, Wis. Stats. 118.57 Wis. Stats.

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### 8310 - PUBLIC RECORDS

The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility to maintain the public records of this District and to make such records available for inspection and reproduction.

Under the Wisconsin Public Records Law, a "record" is defined as any material on which written, drawn, printed, spoken, visual, or electromagnetic information or electronically generated or stored data is recorded or preserved, regardless of physical form or characteristics, that has been created or is being kept by the authority. It includes handwritten, typed, or printed pages, maps, charts, photographs, films, recordings, tapes, optical discs, and any other medium on which electronically generated or stored data is recorded or preserved. A "record" does not include drafts, notes, preliminary computations, and like materials prepared for the originator's personal use or prepared by the originator in the name of a person for whom the originator is working; materials that are purely the personal property of the custodian and have no relation to his/her office; materials to which access is limited by copyright, patent, or bequest; and published materials in the possession of an authority other than a public library that are available for sale, or that are available for inspection at a public library. The personal use exception applies to notes created by the originator solely for the purpose of refreshing his/her recollection and as a matter of convenience (not part of his/her job duties), but does not apply to notes that are distributed to others for the purpose of communicating information or notes that are created or retained for the purpose of memorializing agency activity.

<u>In addition, records may be exempted from disclosure as a matter of statute or common law or, under the balancing test, the public interest in disclosure may be outweighed by the public interest in non-disclosure.</u>

The public records of this District include any writing prepared, owned, used, in the possession of, or retained by the District, its Board, officers, or employees to the extent such writings are within the definition of public records under applicable law. "Public records" do not include notes for the personal use of the author, medical records, documents containing genetic information, trial preparation records, confidential law enforcement investigatory records, records the release of which is prohibited by State or Federal law.

Any person may make an oral or written request for any public records of the District. The person may inspect, copy, or receive copies of the public record requested. The District will shall respond as soon as practicable and without delay. The District will either provide the requested documents, subject to any redactions, or inform to the requestor providing the requested documents or informing the requesteor of the District's decision to deny the requestintent to deny access providing specific explanation regarding the decision to deny access.

The District will comply with theNo public records, including, but not limited to, personnel records, personnel files, or staff directories or student records shall include the actual/confidential addresses of students, parents, or employees who are participating in the Safe at Home/Address Confidentiality Program administered by the Wisconsin Department of Justice. Such public records and student records shall only contain the address designated by the Wisconsin Department of Justice to serve as the student's, parent's, or employee's address. (See Policy 5111 - Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students, Policy 8320 - Personnel Records and Policy 8330 - Student Records.)

The District may impose a fee upon the requester of a copy of a record of per page, which represents the actual, necessary, and direct cost of reproduction of the record. In addition, the District may impose a fee upon a requester for the actual time spent by District employees in locating a record, if the cost is \$50.00 or more. In calculating location costs, the District will use the applicable employee's hourly rate for salary and benefits.

The District may also charge the requester for any equipment required to fill the request (such as videotapes, computer disks, etc.)

The District may impose a fee upon a requester for the actual, necessary, and direct cost of mailing or shipping of any copies which are mailed or shipped to the requester.

The District may require prepayment of fees if the total amount exceeds \$5.00. If payment is required, the District will calculate the actual cost and charge the requester. If advance payment is required, the District will either invoice the requester for the difference between the estimate and actual cost or refund any overpayment.

A resident may purchase copies of the District's public records upon payment of a fee. ( ) In cases where the cost of locating and reproducing the requested record is estimated to exceed \$50, the District Administrator may require advance payment of the estimated cost from the requestor prior to fulfilling the request. The District may charge fees for the actual time spent by District employees in locating the record at the applicable employee's hourly rate for salary and benefits, as well as a reproduction cost of per page. The District may also charge the requestor for any equipment required to fill the request (such as video tapes, computer disks, etc.). If payment is required, the District will calculate the actual cost and charge the requestor. If advance payment is required, the District will either invoice the requestor for the difference between the estimate and actual cost or refund any overpayment.

No public record may be removed from the office in which it is maintained except by a Board officer or employee in the course of the performance of his/her duties.

Nothing in this policy shall be construed as preventing a Board member from inspecting in the performance of his/her official duties any record of this District, except student records and certain portions of personnel records.

The District Administrator shall establish administrative guidelines to ensure proper compliance with the intent of this policy and the public records law.

### [ ] Records Retention Schedule

The District has adopted will follow the Wisconsin Department of Public InstructionAdministration's guidelines on School District record retention.

The most recent edition of the guidelines is dated May, 2010. It may be accessed at the following web address:

http://publicrecordsboard.wi.gov/docview.asp?docid=15892&locid=165

19.21, Wis. Stats.

19.31-39, Wis. Stats.

120.13(12), Wis. Stats.

29 C.F.R. Part 1635

42 U.S.C. 2000ff et seq., The Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act

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Any person may make an oral or written request for any public records of the District. The person may inspect, copy, or receive copies of the public record requested. The District shall respond as soon as practicable and without delay to the requestor providing the requested documents or informing the requestor of the District's intent to deny access providing specific explanation regarding the decision to deny access.

No public records, including, but not limited to, personnel records, personnel files, or staff directories or student records shall include the actual/confidential addresses of students, parents, or employees who are participating in the Safe at Home/Address Confidentiality Program administered by the Wisconsin Department of Justice. Such public records and student records shall only contain the address designated by the Wisconsin Department of Justice to serve as the student's, parent's, or employee's address. (See Policy 5111 - Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students, Policy 8320 - Personnel Records and Policy 8330 - Student Records.) A resident may purchase copies of the District's public records upon payment of a fee. In cases where the cost of locating and reproducing the requested record is estimated to exceed \$50, the District Administrator may require advance payment of the estimated cost from the requestor prior to fulfilling the request. The District may charge fees for the actual time spent by District employees in locating the record at the applicable employee's hourly rate for salary and benefits, as well as a reproduction cost of \$.10 per page. The District may also charge the requestor for any equipment required to fill the request (such as video tapes, computer disks, etc.). If payment is required, the District will calculate the actual cost and charge the requestor. If advance payment is required, the District will either invoice the requestor for the difference between the estimate and actual cost or refund any overpayment.

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The District will follow the Wisconsin Department of Administration's guidelines on School District record retention.

The most recent edition of the guidelines is dated May, 2010.

It may be accessed at the following web address: http://publicrecordsboard.wi.gov/docview.asp?docid=15892&locid=165

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### 8462 STUDENT ABUSE AND NEGLECT

The Board of Education is concerned with the physical and mental well being of all children of this District and will cooperate in the identification and reporting of cases of child abuse or neglect in accordance with law.

The Board shall require every employee to receive training provided by the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) in identifying children who have been abused or neglected and in the laws and procedures detailed herein governing the reporting of suspected or threatened child abuse and neglect. Such training shall be completed within the first six (6) months of employment in the District and thereafter at least once every five (5) years after the initial training.

Each District employee who has reasonable cause to suspect child abuse or neglect has occurred or is occurring shall be responsible for reporting immediately every case, whether ascertained or suspected, of abuse or neglect resulting in physical or mental injury to a child by other than accidental means.

The employee shall immediately call the local office of the Child Welfare Department or local law enforcement. Employees shall also notify the appropriate administrator according to the District's Reporting Procedure for Student Abuse or Neglect.

The identity of the reporting person shall be confidential, subject only to disclosure by consent or court order. A reporting employee shall not be dismissed or otherwise penalized for making a report of child abuse or neglect.

Information concerning alleged child abuse is confidential. Any unauthorized disclosure by an official or employee of the District is a violation of the law and may subject the disseminator to civil liability for resulting damages and disciplinary action.

Each principal should be mindful of the possibility of physical or mental abuse being inflicted on a student by an employee.

# 8462 - MANDATORY REPORTING OF STUDENT ABUSE AND NEGLECT AND THREATS OF VIOLENCE

The Board strictly prohibits any actual or threatened acts of physical, mental, sexual, or other form of abuse directed towards students by any person in any District-owned, operated, or leased facility, or at any school-sponsored activity. Likewise, the Board strictly prohibits any threats of violence in or targeted at any school. All incidents or suspected incidents of such conduct must be reported as described in this policy and in State law and will be investigated. All District employees, regardless of position, are required to make a report in the following instances:

1. when the staff member has reasonable cause to suspect that a child seen in the course of the staff member performance of their job duties has been abused or neglected, or has been threatened with abuse or neglect, regardless of the identity of the suspected perpetrator;

The report shall be made to local law enforcement or social services.

2. when the staff member believes in good faith based on a threat made by any person regarding violence targeted at a school, that the health and safety of any person is in serious or imminent threat. Any such threats shall be immediately reported to law enforcement as described in policy.

The Board of Education is concerned with the physical and mental well-being of all children of this District and will cooperate in the identification and reporting of cases of child abuse or neglect in accordance with law,

Any staff member who, in good faith, believes that circumstances require reporting shall do so without conducting any further investigation concerning the subject matter of the report. When a report is made, the staff member shall immediately notify the building level administrator or District Administrator that a report has been made and provide detail concerning the basis for the report.

### **Training**

The Board shall require every employee to receive training provided by the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) in identifying children who have been abused or neglected and in the laws and procedures detailed herein governing the reporting of suspected or threatened child abuse and neglect. Such training shall be completed within the first six (6) months of employment in the District and thereafter at least once every five (5) years after the initial training. The

<u>District Administrator shall coordinate all training () and shall prepare administrative guidelines that provide</u>
<u>information concerning the prevention of child abuse or neglect and threats of school violence, as well the signs that a student may be a victim of or at risk of becoming a victim of abuse or neglect.</u>

The required training shall also include training on the laws governing the reporting of threats of violence in or targeted at a school.

Each District employee who has reasonable cause to suspect child abuse or neglect has occurred or is occurring shall be responsible for reporting immediately every case, whether ascertained or suspected, of abuse or neglect resulting in physical or mental injury to a child by other than accidental means

Procedures for Reporting - Child Abuse and Neglect

The employee shall immediately call the local office of the Child Welfare Department, social services department, or local law enforcement agency ( ) and shall secure prompt medical attention if pertinentfor any such injuries reported.

<u>Employees shall also notify the appropriate administrator according to the District's Reporting Procedure for Student Abuse or Neglect and Threats of Violence.</u>

The identity of the reporting person shall be confidential, subject only to disclosure by consent or court order, or as otherwise compelled by law. A reporting employee shall not be dismissed or otherwise penalized for making a good faith report of child abuse or neglect. The details of any reported incident, including the identities of the individuals involved or noted in the report, shall be kept confidential to the extent permitted. Any staff member who disseminates such information other than as permitted or required by policy or legal obligation may be subject to disciplinary action. Any staff member who reports suspected child abuse or neglect will not be subject to disciplinary action and is immune from civil liability to the extent provided for by law.

Information concerning alleged child abuse is confidential. Any unauthorized disclosure by an official or employee of the District is a violation of the law and may subject the disseminator to civil liability for resulting damages and disciplinary action.

Each principal should be mindful of the possibility of physical or mental abuse being inflicted on a student by an employee. Any such instances, whether real or alleged, should be dealt with in accordance with the administrative guidelines established by the District Administrator.

**Procedures for Reporting - Threats of Violence** 

An employee, regardless of position, who receives a threat or hears a threat of violence in or targeted at a school shall immediately inform law enforcement. The report shall contain detailed information concerning the nature of the threat. The staff member shall cooperate fully with law enforcement. When such a report is made, the staff member shall also inform the building administrator or District Administrator. If a threat is reported to the building administrator, s/he shall immediately notify the District Administrator and coordinate the District's coordination with law enforcement, students, and parents as the circumstances require.

All threats of violence are to be taken seriously. No staff member who reports a threat in good faith shall be subject to disciplinary action. Failure to report a threat may result in disciplinary action.

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#### 8500 - FOOD SERVICES

The Board of Education shall provide cafeteria facilities in all school facilities where space and facilities permit, and will provide food service for the purchase and consumption of lunch for all students.

The Board shall also provide a breakfast program in accordance with procedures established by the Department of Public Instruction.

The food-service program shall comply with Federal and State regulations pertaining to the selection, preparation, delivery, consumption, and disposal of food and beverages as well as to the fiscal management of the program. In addition, as required by law, a food safety program based on the principles of the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) system shall be implemented with the intent of preventing food-borne illnesses. For added safety and security, access to the facility and the food stored and prepared therein shall be limited to food service staff and other authorized persons.

Substitutions to the standard meal requirements shall be made, at no additional charge, for students who are certified by a licensed physician to have a disability which restricts his/her diet, in accordance with the criteria set forth in 7 CFR 15b.3. To qualify for such substitutions the medical certification must identify:

- A. the student's disability and the major life activity affected by the disability;
- B. an explanation of why the disability affects the student's diet; and
- C. the food(s) to be omitted from the student's diet, and the food or choice of foods that must be substituted (e.g., caloric modifications or use of liquid nutritive formula).

On a case by case basis, substitutions to the standard meal requirements may be made, at no additional charge, for students who are not "disabled persons", but have a signed statement from a qualified medical authority that the student cannot consume certain food items due to medical or other special dietary needs. To qualify for such consideration and substitutions the medical statement must indentify:

- A. the medical or dietary need that restricts the student's diet; and
- B. the food(s) to be omitted from the student's diet and the food(s) or choice of foods that may be substituted.

For non-disabled students who need a nutritional equivalent milk substitute, only a signed request by a parent or guardian is required.

Lunches sold by the school may be purchased by students and staff members and community residents in accordance with the administrative guidelines established by the District Administrator.

The operation and supervision of the food-service program shall be the responsibility of the Food Service Provider and the District Administrator. Food services shall be operated on a self-supporting basis with revenue from students, staff, Federal reimbursement, and surplus food. The Board shall assist the program by furnishing available space, initial major equipment, and utensils. Maintenance and replacement of equipment is the responsibility of the program.

A periodic review of the food-service accounts shall be made by the District Administrator. Any surplus funds from the National School Lunch Program shall be used to reduce the cost of the service to students or to purchase cafeteria equipment. Surplus funds from a-la-carte foods purchased using funds from the nonprofit food service account must accrue to the nonprofit food service account.

Bad debt is uncollectable/delinquent debt that has been determined to be uncollectable no sooner than the end of the school year in which the debt was incurred ( ) and after the District Administrator determines that sufficient reasonable effort and approaches to collecting the debt have been made. If the uncollectable/delinquent debt cannot be recovered by the School Meals Program in the year when the debt was incurred, then this is classified as bad debt. Once classified as bad debt, non-Federal funding sources must reimburse the NSFSA for the total amount of the bad debt. The funds may come from the District general fund, State or local funding, school or community organizations such as the PTA, or any other non-federal source. Once the uncollectable/delinquent debt charges are converted to bad debt, records relating to those charges must be maintained in accordance with the record retention requirements in 7 CFR 210.9(b).

The food-service program may participate in the "Farm to School Program" using locally grown food in school meals and snacks.

No foods or beverages, other than those associated with the District's food-service program, are to be sold during food-service hours. The District shall serve only nutritious food as determined by the Food Service Department and shall not purchase with food service funds and shall not serve, in any food service area during meal-serving hours, carbonated beverages, water ices, chewing gum, hard candy (including breath mints and cough drops), jellies and gums, marshmallow candies, fondant (creamy sugar candy), licorice, spun candy and candy-coated popcorn. Foods and beverages unassociated with the food-service program may be vended

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Section 9000 Relations

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# 9130 - PUBLIC REQUESTS, SUGGESTIONS, OR COMPLAINTS

Any individual(s) having a legitimate interest in the staff, programs and operations of this District shall have the right to present a request, suggestion, or complaint to the District and the Board of Education. At the same time, the Board has a right to protect the staff from inappropriate harassment. It is the intent of this policy to provide guidelines for considering and addressing public requests, suggestions, or complaints in an efficient, reasonable, and equitable manner. Requests, suggestions, or complaints made by District staff members are covered by Policy 3122 and Policy 4122.

It is the desire of the Board to address any such matters through direct, informal discussions and other means. It is only when attempts at informal resolution fail that more formal procedures shall be used.

Generally, requests, suggestions, or complaints reaching the Board or Board members shall be referred to the District Administrator for consideration. Any individual presenting such a matter shall be provided with a copy of this policy.

Guidelines for Matters Regarding a Professional Staff Member

## A. First Level

Generally, if the matter concerns a professional staff member the individual(s) should discuss the matter with the staff member. The staff member shall take appropriate action within his/her authority and District administrative guidelines to deal with the matter.

Discussion with the staff member may not be appropriate in some situations including, for example, where the matter involves suspected child abuse, substance abuse, or any other serious allegation that may require investigation or inquiry by school officials prior to approaching the staff member.

### B. Second Level

If the matter has not been satisfactorily addressed at the First Level or it would be inappropriate to discuss the matter with the staff member, the individual(s) may discuss the matter with the staff member's supervisor, if applicable. Discussions with the supervisor shall occur promptly following any discussion with the staff member.

#### C. Third Level

If the matter has not been satisfactorily addressed at the Second level, and the matter does not involve the District Administrator, the individual(s) may submit a written request for a conference to the District Administrator.

The request must be made promptly after discussion with the staff member's supervisor. The District Administrator may respond in writing to the individual(s) and shall advise the Board of any resolution of the matter.

## D. Fourth Level

If the matter has not been satisfactorily addressed at the Third Level, or at the First Level in the case of a matter involving the District Administrator, the individual(s) may submit a written request to the Board to address the matter. Any such request must be submitted promptly after receiving the District Administrator's written response.

The Board, after reviewing all material relating to the matter, shall grant a hearing, which may be held in closed session at the discretion of the Board when consistent with Wisconsin's Open Meetings law before the Board.

The individual(s) shall be advised, in writing, of the Board's decision no more than ten (10) business days following the next regular meeting. The Board's decision will be final on the matter, and it will not provide a hearing to other complainants on the same issue.

If the individual(s) contacts an individual Board member to discuss the matter, the Board member shall inform the individual that s/he has no authority to act in his/her individual capacity and may refer the individual(s) to this guideline or the District Administrator for further assistance.

Guidelines for Matters Regarding a Support Staff Member

In the case of a support staff member, the matter is to be directed, initially, to the person's supervisor, and then in subsequently higher levels as prescribed in "Guidelines for Matters Regarding a Professional Staff Member".

Guidelines for Matters Regarding District Services or Operations

If the matter relates to a District procedure or operation, it should be addressed, initially, to the immediate supervisor and then in subsequently higher levels as prescribed in "Guidelines for Matters Regarding a Professional Staff Member".

Guidelines for Matters Regarding Enrollment Disputes

If the matters relates to disputes concerning student residency determination, Homelessness under the McKinney-Vento Act, or related issues, the matter should be addressed initially to the District's Residency or Homelessness Coordinator, and then to the Third Level of the process for "Matters Regarding a Professional Staff Member".

Guidelines for Matters Regarding the Educational Program

If the matter relates to a District program, it should be addressed, initially, to the immediate supervisor and then in subsequently higher levels as prescribed in "Matters Regarding a Professional Staff Member".

Guidelines for Matters Regarding Instructional Materials

The District Administrator shall prepare administrative guidelines to <u>provide ensure</u> that students and parents are adequately informed each year regarding their right to inspect instructional materials used as part of the educational curriculum and the procedure for completing such an inspection.

If the request, suggestion, or complaint relates to instructional materials such as textbooks, library books, reference works, and other instructional aids used in the District, the following procedure shall be followed:

- A. The criticism is to be addressed to the certified school employee, in writing, and shall include:
  - 1. author;
  - 2. title;
  - 3. publisher;
  - 4. sections objected to by page and item;
  - 5. reasons for objection.
- B. Upon receipt of the information, the certified school employee may, after advising the building administrator of the complaint, appoint a review committee consisting of:
  - 1. an administrator from the building with the challenge will serve as chair for the committee;
  - 2. Curriculum Director;
  - 3. one (1) teacher from the high school, middle school, and elementary school;
  - 4. the Instructional Library Media Specialist;

- 5. the reading specialist;
- 6. parent or community member(s) appointed by the principal;
- 7. licensed professional responsible for selection of material in question;
- 8. other professional staff as deemed appropriate.
- C. If the request, suggestion, or complaint relates to the human growth and development curriculum or instructional materials, the review committee will include the District Health Coordinator.
- D. The District Administrator shall be an ex officio member of the committee.
- E. The committee, in evaluating the questioned material, shall be guided by the following criteria:
  - 1. the appropriateness of the material for the age and maturity level of the students with whom it is being used
  - 2. the accuracy of the material
  - 3. the objectivity of the material
  - 4. the use being made of the material

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- 1. The committee's recommendation shall be reported to the District Administrator in writing within 5 business days following the formation of the committee. The District Administrator will advise the individual(s), in writing, of the committee's recommendation and the District Administrator's decision. The District Administrator shall also and advise the Board of the committee's recommendation and his/her decision action taken or recommended.
- 2. The individual(s) may submit an appeal of the District Administrator's decision in writing to the Board President recommendation within thirty (30) business days of receiving the decision to the Board. The appeal shall be submitted in writing to the District Administrator within thirty (30) business days of receiving the District Administrator's recommendation. The written appeal and all written material relating to it shall be referred to the Board for consideration.
- 3. The Board shall review the matter and advise the individual(s), in writing, of its decision as soon as practicable. The Board shall determine on a case-by-case basis whether its review will include appearances by the petitioner and administration, be conducted based on written submissions, or only on the record produced by the Committee.

The committee's recommendation shall be reported to the District Administrator in writing within ten (10) business days following the formation of the committee. The District Administrator will advise the individual(s), in writing, of the committee's recommendation and advise the Board of the action taken or recommended.

- G. The individual(s) may appeal the District Administrator's recommendation within thirty (30) business days to the Board. The appeal shall be submitted in writing to the District Administrator within thirty (30) business days of receiving the District Administrator's recommendation. The written appeal and all written material relating to it shall be referred to the Board for consideration.
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No challenged material may be removed from the curriculum or from a collection of resource materials except by action of the Board, and no challenged material may be removed solely because it presents ideas that may be unpopular or offensive to some. Any Board action to remove material will be accompanied by the Board's statement of its reasons for the removal.

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#### 9160 - PUBLIC ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL EVENTS

The Board of Education welcomes the attendance of members of the community at athletic and other public events held by the schools in the District, but the Board also acknowledges its duty to maintain order and preserve the facilities of the District during the conduct of such events.

The Board directs that no alcoholic beverage or other controlled substance be possessed, consumed, or distributed nor any betting occur at any function sponsored by the District.

Raffles and similar forms of fund-raising by District-related organizations may be permitted by the District Administrator in accordance with Policy 9211 - District Support Organizations and Policy 9700 - Relations with Special Interest Groups.

No qualified person with a disability will, because the District's facilities are inaccessible to or unusable by persons with disabilities, be denied the benefits of, be excluded from participation in, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity to which Section 504/ADA applies. Any person who believes s/he has been discriminated against due to a disability should refer to the complaint procedure set forth in Policy 2260.01 - Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Discrimination Based on Disability.

For facilities constructed or altered after June 3, 1977, the District will comply with applicable accessibility standards. For those existing facilities constructed prior to June 3, 1977, the District is committed to operating its programs and activities so that they are readily accessible to persons with disabilities. This includes, but is not limited to, providing accommodations to parents with disabilities who desire access to their child's educational program or meetings pertinent thereto.

The Board holds the legal authority to bar the attendance of or remove any person whose conduct may constitute a disruption on District property or at a school event. School administrators have the authority to call law enforcement officials if a person violates posted regulations or does not leave District property when requested. They are also authorized to use detectors and other devices to better protect the safety and well-being of participants and visitors.

If a student, a non-enrolled minor, or adult is asked to leave or is removed from a school event, no admission fees shall be refunded.

Individuals with disabilities shall have an equal opportunity to purchase tickets for events that have been sanctioned or approved by the Board in accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended.

Further, in accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, the Board shall permit individuals with disabilities to be accompanied by their service animals in all areas of the District's facilities where members of the public, as participants in services, programs or activities, or as invitees, are allowed to go. (See also Policy 8390 - Animals on District Property)

Persons attending school events are subject to the prohibitions on use of tobacco pursuant to Policy 7434 – Use of Tobacco on School Premises.

# Persons attending school events are subject to the provisions of Policy 7217 - Weapons.

The Board is aware of the increasing desire of many parents and other members of an audience to make audio and/or video recordings of school events.

Such recordings can be made by parents or other members of the audience without restriction if the performance is not of copyrighted material. However, if the performance is of copyrighted material, recording can be made if the appropriate license authorizing such recordings has been secured in advance by the District. If the performance is of copyrighted material and the

necessary license has not been secured in advance by the District, the audience shall be advised before the performance begins that audio and/or video recordings that will be re-broadcast or distributed in any way, such as posting on the internet, are prohibited.

The Board authorizes the District Administrator to establish rules and procedures governing the use of nondistrict audio/visual recording equipment at any District-sponsored event or activity. Such rules are to be distributed in such a manner that members of the audience who wish to record the event are aware of the rules early enough to make proper arrangements to obtain their recordings without causing delay or disruption to an activity.

Any person or organization seeking to film students or a school activity which is not a public event shall obtain prior permission from the District Administrator.

All notices, signs, schedules, and other communications about school events shall contain the following statement:

"Upon request to the District Administrator, submitted twenty-four (24) hours in advance, the District shall make reasonable accommodation including the provision of informational material in an alternative format as necessary for a disabled person to be able to participate in this activity. At least twenty-four (24) hours advance notice of the need for accommodation is appreciated."

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29 CFR Part 35

29 U.S.C. 794, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended

34 C.F.R. Part 104

42 U.S. C. 12101 et seq., Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended