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INSTRUCTION

6:250 Community Resource Persons and Volunteers

The Board encourages the use of resource persons and volunteers to: (1) increase students' educational attainment; (2) provide enrichment experiences for students; (3) increase the effective utilization of staff time and skills; (4) give more individual attention to students; and (5) promote greater community involvement.

Resource persons and volunteers may be used:

1. For non-teaching duties not requiring instructional judgment or evaluation of students;
2. To assist with academic programs under a certificated teacher's immediate supervision;
3. To assist in times of violence or other traumatic incidents within the Cooperative by providing crisis intervention services to lessen the effects of emotional trauma on staff, students, and the community, provided the volunteer meets the qualifications established by the Ill. School Crisis Assistance Team Steering Committee, PRESSPlus 1
4. As a guest lecturer or resource person under a certificated teacher's direction and with the administration's approval; or
5. As supervisors, chaperones, or sponsors for non-academic school activities, extracurricular activities, or field trips.

The Executive Director shall follow Board policy 4:175, Convicted Child Sex Offender; Screening; Notifications, to establish procedures for securing and screening resource persons and volunteers. A person who is a *sex offender*, as defined by the Sex Offender Registration Act, or a *violent offender against youth*, as defined in the Child Murderer and Violent Offender Against Youth Registration Act, or has otherwise been convicted of a felony, is prohibited from being a resource person or volunteer. All volunteer coaches must comply with the requirement to report hazing in policy 5:90, Abused and Neglected Child Reporting.

Prior to classroom assignments, volunteers must sign the Volunteer Confidentiality Agreement.

LEGAL REF.:

105 ILCS 5/10-22.34, 5/10-22.34a, and 5/10-22.34b.

720 ILCS 5/12C-50.1, Failure to Report Hazing.

730 ILCS 150/1 et seq., Sex Offender Registration Act.

730 ILCS 152/101 et seq., Sex Offender Community Notification Law. ~~and~~

730 ILCS 154/75 et seq., ~~105~~, Murderer and Violent Offender Against Youth Community Notification Law.

730 ILCS 154/101 et seq., Murderer and Violent Offender Against Youth Registration Act.

CROSS REF.: 4:170 (Safety), 4:175 (Convicted Child Sex Offender; Screening; Notifications), 5:90 (Abused and Neglected Child Reporting), 5:280 (Duties and Qualifications), 8:30 (Visitors to and Conduct on School Property), 8:95 (Parental Involvement)

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PRESSPlus Comments

PRESSPlus 1. Updated to reflect a long-standing School Code provision that schools may use resource persons and volunteers for crisis intervention services. **Issue 98, May/June 2018**