District Relationships with Law Enforcement and other Government Agencies

District staff bear the primary responsibility for maintaining proper order and conduct in the schools. Staff will be responsible for holding students accountable for infractions of school rules, which may include minor violations of the law occurring during school hours or at school activities

When there is substantial threat to the health and safety of students or others, such as in the case of bomb threats, mass demonstrations with threat of violence, individual threats of substantial bodily harm, trafficking in prohibited drugs or controlled substances (including marijuana/cannabis), or the scheduling of events where large crowds may be difficult to handle, law enforcement or other government agencies will be called upon for assistance. Information regarding major violations of the law will be communicated to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

The district will strive to develop and maintain cooperative working relationships with law enforcement and other government agencies. The superintendent will communicate with law enforcement, child protective authorities and health department officials to establish procedures. Such procedures should address the handling of child abuse and neglect allegations and cases, the handling of bomb threats, arrests by law enforcement officers on school premises, the availability of law enforcement personnel for crowd control purposes, the processes for investigating possible criminal activity involving students, reporting of communicable disease cases and investigations, and other matters that affect school, law enforcement and other agency cooperation. Such procedures will be made available to affected staff and periodically revised.

Cross References: Policy 3226 Interviews/Interrogations of Students on School Premises

Policy 3231 Student Records Policy 3432 Emergencies Policy 3414 Infectious Diseases

Policy 3421 Child Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation Prevention

Legal Reference: RCW 26.44.030 Interviews of children

RCW 26.44.050 Abuse or neglect of child — Duty of law

enforcement agency or department of social and health services — Taking child into custody without court order,

when

RCW 26.44.110 Written statement required

RCW 26.44.115 Notice required

RCW 28A.635.020 Wilfully disobeying school administrative

personnel or refusing to leave public property, violations, when — Penalty

20 U.S.C. § 1232g Family Education Rights and Privacy Act

Policy No. 4310 Community Relations

Management Resources:

Policy & Legal News, July 2013 New interviews/interrogations of

students on school premises policy

Policy & Legal News, April 2013 Clarification that controlled

substances include marijuana

and cannabis.

Policy News, April 2001 Compliance Office Provides FERPA

Update

Policy News, February 1998 FERPA limits student records access

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