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RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES – Interrogations & Searches*

Interrogations and Searches

It is the desire of the Board to cooperate with all public agencies operating in the public interest. Law enforcement and other personnel who have a legal right to interview pupils may do so consistent with the District's *Administrative Rules and Regulations*. Parents or guardians shall be notified and give consent prior to the interview except as noted in *Administrative Rules and Regulations*.

The Principal shall comply with a police order for removal of a student from the building. Every attempt should be made by school personnel to notify parents prior to the student's leaving the building.

Student Lockers

Desks and lockers are District property, and school authorities may inspect desks and/or lockers for health and/or safety reasons. When inspections take place, a witness shall be present.

Search for Illegal Drugs

The Board authorizes the Superintendent to request the assistance of law enforcement officials for the purpose of conducting searches of lockers, school grounds and/or District controlled property for illegal drugs, including searches conducted through the use of specially trained dogs. Such searches may include student vehicles parked on District owned or controlled property.

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Use of Metal Detectors

Upon approval and at the invitation of the Superintendent or his/her designee, law enforcement officials may use metal detectors to conduct mass searches at middle schools, high schools, or alternative schools selected by the Superintendent or his/her designee. Schools may be selected for periodic metal detector searches based upon information, which reasonably leads District staff to have heightened concern for the safety and security of students and staff. Search areas may include classrooms, corridors, student lockers, restrooms, locker rooms, cafeterias, commons areas, or other areas identified by the district staff. Any such searches shall be conducted in as minimally an intrusive manner as possible.

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