SEXUAL OFFENDER NOTIFICATION

The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility for the health and safety of the students enrolled within the District and for those youngsters receiving services or participating in programs or events of school district property. Therefore, the Board is desirous of taking appropriate precautionary measures in situations where the District has been advised by law enforcement officials that a convicted sex offender resides within the District.

Where school officials are advised that an individual convicted of a sexual offense resides within the school district, the District shall give notice in accordance herewith in order to minimize the possibility that the released and registered sex offender will come into contact with students within the District. In addition, the Board believes that cooperation with local law enforcement officials will best promote and protect the safety and well being of its students.

Whenever information is received from local law enforcement officials pursuant to PA 98-111 (CGS 52-102r) that a registered convicted sex offender is residing within the school district, such information may be disseminated after consideration of various factors to the following entities:

- (a) Building Principals;
- (b) Appropriate administrative and teaching staff;
- (c) Security personnel and those monitoring persons visiting on school district property;
- (d) Head Custodian;
- (e) Athletic Director;
- (f) Bus company coordinators.

The Superintendent may also disseminate such information to such additional individuals or groups or individuals who, in the opinion of the Superintendent, have a legitimate need to be notified of such information in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of school district students.

Use of Information by School Staff

The District shall use the information disseminated according to these regulations in the following manner:

1. Staff members responsible for visitor registration shall verify that individuals registering to visit the school are not individuals about whom written information has been received from law enforcement personnel.

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- 2. Staff members responsible for coordinating volunteer activities shall verify that individuals volunteering within the school district are not individuals about whom written information has been received from law enforcement personnel.
- 3. Staff members responsible for hiring of individuals as employees or as independent contractors shall verify that individuals who are so employed by the district are not individuals about whom written information has been received from law enforcement personnel.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

Public Act No. 98-111 An Act Concerning the Registration of Sexual Offenders. United States Code, Title 42

14071 Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Program Act.